

LIBERAL/LIBERAL DEMOCRAT PARLIAMENTARY CANDIDATES

in the

EAST OF ENGLAND REGION 1945-2024

Constituencies in the historical counties of Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Essex, Hertfordshire, Huntingdonshire, Norfolk, Suffolk, together with Peterborough

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PREFACE

The compilation of this Index has been complicated by name changes of many constituencies over the years. Forty or more of the candidates listed have fought constituencies in up to five regions of the United Kingdom. Unlike industrialised regions, there have been no pockets of constituencies which the party failed to contest over the period 1945-64. Individual constituencies, however, were neglected for many years, particularly those with a history of Liberal National allegiance from the early 1930s. As the Nat-Lib-Con presence withered away after 1959, the resurgent Liberal Party began to contest these constituencies once more. There are few larger-than-life individuals among the individuals listed below, though many candidates have interesting backgrounds. Research will continue with respect to several thinly documented entries.

Following agreement with the Green Party, the Liberal Democrats did not nominate a candidate at Bury St Edmunds at the General Election of 2019. The party also stood down in the constituency of Luton South in favour of the retiring MP, who was standing as anti-Brexit candidate.

THE MARTELL PLAN

The Martell Plan, mentioned in passing throughout the regional directories was an electoral strategy adopted by the Liberal Party for the General Election of 1950. It was named after Edward Martell qv (Greater London), a party 'grandee' of the immediate post-war years who advocated the nomination of over 150 additional candidates in constituencies which had little or no Liberal organization nor history of Liberal activity in recent years. Most were adopted only days before nominations closed, many at the eleventh hour. Martell's objective was to increase the Liberal challenge to a level at which the Party would be enabled to form a government, presuming enough MPs were elected. His supporters, among them enthusiastic younger Party members including Jeremy Thorpe, Isaac Hyam qqv, believed that a steadily growing number of adoptions being announced in the media would create a momentum of its own in the minds of the electorate.

The goal of fighting every mainland constituency in the UK was finally achieved appropriately under the leadership of Jeremy Thorpe at the General Election of October 1974. The broad front was reduced, marginally, at the following election of 1979. In both 1983 and 1987 the Liberals and their allies, the SDP, each contested roughly 50% of the UK parliamentary constituencies, avoiding contests against each other save in a handful of cases. Since 1992 the Liberal Democrats have contested every constituency in mainland UK, save for that held by The Speaker and a handful of other instances, at every successive general election. In recent times Party nominees who are nominated at the last minute in unpromising constituencies, simply to show the flag, have come to be termed 'paper candidates.' Virtually every candidate at recent general elections, however, has been approved by the Party's Parliamentary Candidates' Committee and adopted according to formal procedure.

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KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS

This key omits commonly used abbreviations.

b h s	boys high school
coll	college
comp s	comprehensive school
elem s	elementary school
g s	grammar school
g h s	girls high school
g-t	grammar-tech
h s	high school
j s	junior school
lect	lecturer
s	school
s s	schools/state school
sec s	secondary school
sen s	senior school
u s	upper school
FE	Further Education
HE	Higher Education
ILEA	Inner London Education Authority
LSE	London School of Economics
TTC	Teacher Training College
U	University
UMIST	University of Manchester Institute of Technology
appt	appointment/appointed
assn	association
asst	assistant
bus	business
Ch Acc	Chartered Accountant
Ch Eng	Chartered Engineer
co	company
comp	computer
cons	consultant/consultancy
corr	correspondent
cttee/s	committee/s
dir	director
dpty	deputy
dvpmt	development
eng	engineer/engineering
exec	executive
incl	including

ind	industry
ins	insurance
inst	institute/institution
int	international
IT	Information Technology
mark	marketing
mbr	member
PR	public relations
prog	programme
rep	representative
reg	region/regional
ret	retired
sec	secretary
t'nology	technology

ald	alderman
cand	candidate
C	Council
CC	County Council
cllr	councillor
DC	District Council
GLA	Greater London Assembly
GLC	Greater London Council
grp	group
ldr	leader
LBC	London Borough Council
LCC	London County Council
MBC	Metropolitan/Municipal Borough Council
PC	Parish Council/Privy Counsellor
RDC	Rural District Council
TC	Town Council
UA	Unitary Authority
UDC	Urban District Council

CB	Member of the Order of the Bath
CH	Companion of Honour
CMG	Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael & St George
DFC	Distinguished Flying Cross
FRCP	Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians
FRSE	Fellowship of the Royal Society of Edinburgh
GCMG	Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael & St George
KCMG	Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael & St George
OM	Order of Merit

ALDE	Alliance of Liberals & Democrats for Europe
ALTU	Association of Liberal Trade Unionists
AM	Member of the Welsh Assembly (up to 2020)
AMMA	Assistant Masters' & Mistresses' Association (Now Assoc of Teachers & Lecturers)
APNI	Alliance Party of Northern Ireland
BALF	Birmingham Area Liberal Federation
BLO	Birmingham Liberal Organisation
CAB	Citizens' Advice Bureau
CPRE	Campaign for Rural England
EETPU	Electrical Electronic Telecommunications & Plumbing Union
ELD	European Liberal Democrats
LA	Liberal Association
LDA	Liberal Democrat Association
LDN	Liberal Democrat News
LDV	Lib Dem Voice
LGBTQ+	lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender queer and others
LIB INT	Liberal International
MLA	Member of the Northern Ireland Legislative Assembly
MPA	Member of the Northern Ireland Assembly (1982-86 – Member of the Parliamentary Assembly)
MS	Member of the Senedd Cymru – Welsh Parliament (from 2020)
MSP	Member of the Scottish Parliament
NALGO	National Association of Local Government Officers (now UNISON)
NAS	National Association of Schoolmasters
NASUWT	National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers (since 2015 The Teachers' Union)
NATFHE	National Association of Teachers in Further/Higher Education
NCB	National Coal Board
NFU	National Farmers Union
NIA	Northern Ireland Assembly
NIF	Northern Ireland Forum
NLC	National Liberal Club
NUJ	National Union of Journalists
NUT	National Union of Teachers
PCA	Parliamentary Candidates Association
PCC	Police & Crime Commissioner
PFCC	Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner
PPC	Prospective Parliamentary Candidate
RAMC	Royal Army Medical Corps
RASC	Royal Army Service Corps
RNVR	Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve
SDP	Social Democratic Party
S of S	Secretary of State
TA	Territorial Army
TGWU	Transport & General Workers Union

ULP	Ulster Liberal Party
ULS	Union of Liberal Students
US	Under Secretary
USDAW	Union of Shop, Distributive & Allied Workers
WHO	World Health Organisation
WLD	Women Lib Dems
WMLF	West Midland(s) Liberal Federation
WMRP	West Midland Regional Party
YLS/YLDs	Young Liberals/Liberal Democrats

Party refers to the Liberal Party / Liberal Democrats, unless otherwise stated.

Parliamentary elections fought by a candidate in the Index of any individual region appear in bold type thus: **Westmorland 1945**. Constituencies fought by a candidate in other regions appear in standard type. The names of constituencies have changed over the years as a result of parliamentary boundary changes.

BIOGRAPHICAL DIRECTORY OF CANDIDATES

SECTION ONE

LIBERAL AND LIBERAL DEMOCRAT CANDIDATES 1945-2024

AALDERS-DUNTHORNE, Andrew, b 1969, ed Bowthorpe h s, Norwich City Coll; primary s head teacher; Norwich MBC; **Norwich South 1997, 2001, 2005, Central Suffolk & North Ipswich 2010, South Suffolk 2017**

ABDELA, Lesley Julia, MBE, b London 1945, ed Glendower s, Queensgate, London, Queen Anne's s, Faversham, Hammersmith Coll of Art, London Coll of Printing, Chatelard, Switzerland; journalist, broadcaster; respected, leading figure in her day in campaign for women's rights and representation, one parent families etc; prominent in support for overseas aid projects in 40 different countries; in 2006 figured in top fifty 'heroes of our time' compiled by *New Statesman*; mbr Charter 88, Amnesty John Stuart Mill Inst etc; author of several books including *Women With X Appeal*; *Women Politicians in Britain Today* (1989); lives Burwash, East Sussex; **East Hertfordshire 1979**

ABEL, Deryck Robert Endsleigh, b Salisbury, 1918; ed Tottenham County s, L.S.E., London U; lost leg during WW II service which permanently undermined his health; one of the Liberal Party's great characters of the 1950s and 60s and leading post-war intellectual, long associated with *The Contemporary Review*, Editor 1960-65, succeeding the legendary G. P. Gooch; advocate of liberal concepts of freedom; witty if erudite public speaker; wrote innumerable article for press; author of *Ernest Benn, Counsel for Liberty*; early advocate of Channel Tunnel project which he termed the 'Chunnel,' as opposed to a bridge which he suggested 'might suffer from an excess of ventilation;' at an election meeting was once asked by an elderly pensioner, 'Are you in favour putting pensions up?' To which he replied unequivocally, 'The answer to your question madam is a very strong affirmative!' which brought an immediate retort, 'Does that mean yes or no?'; on a visit behind the Iron Curtain at the height of the Cold War, he congratulated the management of a state-run factory on 'your excellent workers canteen and cuisine bourgeoisie;' much-loved figure in Party; Chair of LPO Exec 1957-1959, LPO Council early 1960s; originally a staunch mbr of Free Trade Union, later sec, writing for its journal *Free Trader*; left movement c 1958 in opposition to policies of Maj Oliver Smedley qv; his cut-glass manners, rarefied diction and city gent appearance, complete with pin-striped suit, black bowler and rolled up umbrella, were not electioneering assets; author *History of British Tariffs 1923-42*; d 1965; his widow Betty was Editor of *The Contemporary Review* from 1970; **St Albans 1950**; Torquay 1951 (Devon & Cornwall Region), Worthing 1959 (Southeast Region)

ABERNETHY, William Drummond, OBE, b Epping, Essex 1913?; ed St Paul's Cathedral Choir s, Oxford U; WW II service in Sri Lanka and India; schoolmaster, later toured Britain as lect on visual aids; d 1988; **Maldon 1950**

AFTON, Richard, b Kerry, Eire 1914, of Catholic background, ed St Vincent's s, Hull, Trinity Coll, Dublin; Chair, Retarded Children's Aid Society, an official prison visitor; BBC TV producer, director, writer of many popular and prestigious programmes; first Party cand at Bury St Edmunds for 14 years; d 1985; **Bury St Edmunds by-e 1964, 1964**, Heston & Isleworth 1966 (Greater London)

AHMED, Ashuk, MBE, ed Bedfordshire, De Montfort U; local government officer 25 years; Lib Dem 20 years; lived Luton since 1980; local activist; his membership of Party was suspended at one stage for alleged anti-semitic remarks; **Luton South 2015**

AKINWALE, Chika (or Chicka?), ed Hallam U; pharmaceutical scientist; motivational writer/speaker; interests incl children's welfare; **Ipswich 2015, 2024**

AKST, Wolf Isaac, b East London E 1903, ed Shoreham g s, City of London Coll; acc; later in road haulage agricultural marketing; Eastern Counties Lib Fed; d 1980; **Peterborough 1950, 1951, Harwich 1955**

ALEXANDER, (Dr) Frances W., b Hornchurch, then in Essex 1935, ed Brentwood g co h s; trained as nurse, London Hospital, Weymouth Training Coll; practised midwifery, Oxford, later teacher of nursing studies; mbr national private nursing comm, Royal Coll of Nursing; moved to High Wycombe c1971; fought local elections for 20 years before elected 1991; later Mayor; founded Women Welcome Women Worldwide 1984, Northern Nursing Service; strongly pro-Europe, environmentalist; d 2020; **South East Essex Feb 1974**, Stepney & Poplar 1974 Oct (Greater London), **South East Essex 1979**

ALLEN, James, JP; lives local; Chair, Burling PC; charity fund raiser; interests incl NHS, care services; **Southend East & Rochford 2024**

AMOR, Nicholas, b 1950, ed Great Baddow s, Oxford U, Guildford Law s; solicitor; Brentwood DC; **Brentwood & Ongar 1983, 1987**

ANNAND, Hugh, b Welwyn Garden City 1974, ed Applecroft s, Haileybury, Loughborough U; linguist; joined Party 2001; Euro cand 2014; **North East Hertfordshire**, South Shields by-e 2013 (Northeast Region), **Welwyn Hatfield 2015, Hitchin 2017**

AQUARONE, Steffan Luke (Steff), b 1984 grew up at Blickling, ed at home, Norwich s, Warwick U; of Quaker background; digital entrepreneur, film and technology; producer of film *Tortoise in Love* (2012); also writer; cllr Norfolk CC, dept group ldr 2019-20 group ldr 2020-21; interests incl climate change; one of the most promising new figures with a media background; he regained the seat held from 2001-19 by Norman Lamb qv on a swing of 11% and with a majority of 5.5%; mbr Transport Select cttee 2024-; elected chair LD parliamentary party September 2025; **Mid Norfolk 2019, North Norfolk 2024; MP 2024-**

ARGENT, Mark, works in art/design in IT, running own business; involved in inter-faith activity; engaged in regional government and policy; strongly pro-remain; contributor to Lib Dem Voice; **Hertford & Stortford 2017, Huntingdon 2019, 2024**

ARLOTT, Leslie Thomas John; b Basingstoke 1914, ed Queen Mary's g s, Basingstoke; originally hospital records clerk, later police officer 1934-46; pre-eminent radio/TV broadcaster; began as cricket correspondent for the Liberal-leaning *News Chronicle*; fielded once as sub for Hampshire CCC; became a legend for his county cricket and Test match commentaries over 40 years from 1946. His rich Hampshire voice on the air was an instantly recognisable feature of the English summer. A man of deep humanity with a strong sympathy with the under-dog, he was bitterly opposed to apartheid in South Africa which he experienced at first hand. When asked to state his race on an immigration

form at a South African airport, he wrote 'human' against the question and was then asked by an aggressive official to explain the meaning of his answer!

He became well-known from his regular appearances on BBC Radio *Any Questions?* from the mid-1950s where he boldly stated the case for Liberalism at a time when the Party had few capable media spokespersons. A gifted, if somewhat emotional debater, he was a figure of stature in the Liberal revival at that time. A talented writer with a highly personal style, he was the author of many definitive books on cricket, incl histories, reminiscences of the game, portraits of players etc many of which have become classics. He also wrote on food, wine, the country, also publishing poetry of some merit. Of a deeply emotional character, his private life was marred by tragedy. He was not without bitter critics and enemies both inside cricket and the BBC on account of his forthright radical views. He retired to Alderney, Channel Islands and died there in 1991. **Epping 1955, 1959**

ARRAM, Joyce Muriel, b Highgate, North London 1935, of Jewish background, ed Camden g h s, North West Poly, Holborn Coll of Law; solicitor; dpty Pres Liberal Democrat Lawyers Assn; bitterly opposed to cuts in Legal Aid provision proposed by government; fought MBC elections in Finchley, Barnet areas; warm and likeable personality, popular and respected in Party circles; attempted to strengthen role in the Party of the Candidates Assn; d 2018; **South East Essex 1966**, Ruislip-Northwood 1970, 1974 Feb, Oct (Greater London)

ATKINS, Richard S., Ipswich MBC, Euro cand; defected to Conservatives; **Ipswich 2005**

AUSTEN, Beryl, b 1930 ed sec s, tech, Open U; ret self-employed hotelier; sec of hospice; **Epping Forest 1992**

AUVRAY, Raymond Michael, b 1948, ed Bidford g s, Reading U, Northeast London Poly; principal careers officer; Essex CC; **Basildon 1979, 1987**

BAKER, David, b 1935, ed Bury g s, Manchester U; int systems cons; Essex CC; **Castle Point 1997**

BALDWIN, Nicholas, b 1958 Chulmley h s & Community Coll, West Buckland s, Hull U, Exeter U; author/lect, **Central Suffolk 1983**

BALDY, Colin, lived Maldon since 2007; professional opera singer with career in performing, teaching, writing, directing; concerned at climate emergency, green energy, reliable local public transport; **Maldon 2019**

BANERJI, Reetendra, b West London, former teacher, worked in IT in USA; lect at West Carolina U; self-employed management cons; interests incl education, NHS, care of the elderly; **South Basildon 2017**, Harrow East 2024 (Greater London)

BANKS, Desmond Anderson Harvie, later Lord B. of Kenton, b Ascot 1918, ed U Coll s; life ins broker, pensions cons; war service; joined Party at school; co-founder 1952 with Peter Grafton qv of Radical Reform Group, to counter perceived rightward drift of Party, remaining a member until its demise in early 1960s; author many pamphlets and policy papers; speech writer to Jo Grimond; strongly committed supporter of European Union, Chair, Liberal Euro action Group, Chair European Movement 1986-94; Chair LPO Exec 1961-63, Pres 1968-69, CBE 1972, Life Peer 1975, deputy Chief

Whip in Lords 1975-83; greatly respected throughout the party; of a kindly personality, gentle and reasoning in approach, an effective speaker on TV and radio; d 1997; m Barbara Wells OBE, a stalwart of WLF; Harrow East 1950 (Greater London), St Ives 1955 (Devon & Cornwall Region), **South West Hertfordshire 1959** see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

BANTON, Alan J., b 1948, ed sec s; with blood transfusion service; Basildon DC; **Thurrock 1992**

BARNETT, Jack Harris, b 1926, of Jewish background, ed Londonderry, Central Foundation s; journalist; gen sec British Section, World Jewish Congress; strong public speaking voice; Gravesend 1964, 1966 (Southeast Region), **Southend West 1970**

BARON, Christina A. M., b 1950, ed St Leonard's s, St Andrews, City U, London; research student, part-time university tutor; m Alan Butt-Philip qv (Southwest Region); lives Wells; **Hemel Hempstead 1974 Feb, Oct**

BARRETT, Stephen James, business ldr at comprehensive school, previously worked with charities; DCllr; interests incl environment, Europe, public services; joined Party for its unequivocal commitment to Europe; **Hertsmere 2019**

BARRY-MEARS, Sammy, Hemel Hempstead born/bred, ed Nottingham U; Dacorum MBC; local youth worker; completed MA in Youth Work, Community learning and development; **Hemel Hempstead 2019, 2024**

BARTLEET, Tom, ed Haileybury, Manchester U; ins broker, chief exec Erskine Murray I. B.; strongly pro-EU; **South Suffolk 2024**

BASTICK, John, b 1942, ed Malmesbury g s, Regent St Poly; managing director advertising/marketing co; **Harlow 1983**, Wanstead & Woodford 1987 (Greater London)

BATCHELOR, Henry, Suffolk born, lives Haverhill; ten years DCllr; has worked across many sectors of industry; he favours removal of business rates on small firms, reform of NHS, turning sewage disposal companies into public benefit cos, increasing SFI budget to farmers; **West Suffolk 2024**

BAXTER, E. Brian S., b 1932, ed Dunoon g s, Kennington, Scottish Hotel s, King's Lynn Tech Coll; farmer; **South West Norfolk 1974 Oct, 1979, 1983**

BAYNES, Keith W., b 1931, ed Liskeard g s, Ilford Co h s, Brigg (East Midlands Region) 1964, **Southend East 1966**

BEALE, John Roderick Charles, b 1932, ed Culford s, Bury St Edmunds, Leighton Park s, Reading, LSE; lect; **Cambridgeshire 1966, Maldon 1970, 1974 Feb, Oct, Sudbury 1979**

BEAVAN, David, b 1951, ed Stowe s, Essex U; farmer, boat restorer, former journalist; campaigned to have second homes tax loophole closed; the matter was taken up by the Lib Dem Peer, Lord Shipley, in House of Lords; originally a Liberal he defected to fight Waveney for SDP in 1987 (see SDP section), subsequently rejoined Lib Dems; cllr East Suffolk DC 2019- grp ldr, Chair, East Suffolk LDA, he was expelled from the party in 2024 for publicly calling for support for a Green cand; **Hitchin 1974 Feb, South Suffolk 2019**

BECKETT, Mike, cllr Brightlingsea TC; his wife Caroline is the local vicar; organised food banks in several centres incl Colchester; community worker, former CAB manager, nursing assist; believes in devolving power from the top; **Harwich & North Essex 2019**

BEDFORD, Sara, joined Party 1980s; Chair, NYLDs; LPO Exec, Conference comm; Council ldr Three Rivers DC, Hertfordshire CC, Abbots Langley TC; served on review panel of 2019 Euro and Parliamentary elections; many interests incl education; **Welwyn Hatfield 2005**

BELFITT, Nicholas, raised/ed Isle of Wight, Surrey U, where he campaigned against university job cutting; sports teacher; Isle of Wight 2017 (South Central Region), **Broxbourne 2024**

BELLARD, Francis (Frank), b 1946, ed St Margaret's b h s, Liverpool, Spion Kop, Anfield, Northeast London Poly, Garnett Coll; worked with fire brigade, then long career in prison service; systems eng; Basildon DC, Essex CC; cands team ldr, Eastern Region 1997; **Billericay 1992, 2001**

BENJAMIN, Malvyn A., b 1937, ed Dulwich Coll prep s, St Paul's s, King's Coll, London U; solicitor; of Jewish background; active in Jewish communal organisations; by the time of Luton by-election, the Liberal upsurge triggered by the Orpington victory in February 1962, had spent itself; at Barrow a decade later he was the first Party cand locally for 24 years, polling 19.6%; wrote a moving and graphic account of his battle with life-threatening amyloidosis, and subsequent treatment, for British Medical Journal Nov 2011; **Luton by-e 1963**, Barrow-in-Furness 1974 Feb, Oct (Northwest Region)

BENNETT, Air Vice-Marshal Donald Clifford Tyndall, b Queensland, Australia 1910, ed Brisbane g s., RAAF 1930, later RAF; broke several distance flying records; distinguished war record; known as 'Pathfinder' Bennett; his innovations and strategies 1942-45 greatly increased efficiency of Allied bombing campaign against Nazi Germany; described as 'most distinguished technical airman of his generation'; youngest-ever Air Vice-Marshal; highly respected but remembered by his crews and staff as aloof and personally difficult; at Middlesbrough the incumbent Liberal MP Harcourt (Crinks) Johnstone died early in 1945, Bennett being returned unopposed in the by-e but lost the seat in the General Election shortly after in a straight fight with Labour by 2,613 votes; post-war appointed dir of British South American Airways; later became associated with far right fringe, National Independence Party etc; anti-Common Market; autobiography *Pathfinder* (Muller, 1959); d 1986; Middlesbrough West by-e 1945, 1945 (MP for only 73 days - Northeast Region), Croydon North by-e 1948 (Greater London), **Norwich North 1950**

BENNETT, Nigel b Doncaster 1966, ed Hallcross comp s, Doncaster, Leicester U; teacher; Sudbury TC, Mayor 2003, 2007; Baberg DC group ldr; **South Suffolk 2010**

BENSILUM, Matthew, lives locally; Tendring DC; interests incl cost of living, housing, NHS; **Clacton 2024**

BENNETT, Sean, lives locally; writer, communications specialist; has fought local elections; chief interest NHS; **Norwich South 2024**

BENTON, Peter A. S., b 1925, ed Brixton School of Building; architect; LPO Council; **South West Hertfordshire 1966**

BEVAN, Pauline Anne, b 1941, ed Fleetwood g s, Blackpool Collegiate g s; co sec/dir of family joinery business; Essex CC, Tendring DC; **Harwich 1992**

BINNEY, George W., b 1953, ed King's Coll, Wimbledon; barrister; head of management services, Courtaulds Ltd; **North Hertfordshire 1983, 1987**

BIRD, Dr Julia, lived France 6 years; PhD in Economics; now an economist supporting transport and green energy investments; supporter of Fairer Shares for All plan; concerned at inequality in Britain; high air pollution levels in Broxbourne area; **Broxbourne 2019**

BLACKBURN, Alfred Noel H., b 1913, ed Tostall s, Sunderland, Durham s; Ch Acc; **Thurrock 1964**, Sevenoaks 1966 (Southeast Region), Camberwell, Dulwich 1970 (Greater London)

BLAIR, Dr Ian M., b 1936, ed King George V s, Southport, Oxford U, Liverpool U; physicist; Buckinghamshire CC, later Oxfordshire CC; served as Ofsted inspector; lay minister; d Jan 2009; Abingdon 1979 (South Central Region), **South West Hertfordshire 1983, 1987**, Witney 1992 (South Central Region)

BODLE, Bruce b 1946? business development manager; **Watford 1979**

BOHLING, Christopher Hugh, b 1931, ed St John's s, Leatherhead; marine underwriter at Lloyds; lives Woking; **South East Essex 1970**

BOIZOT, Peter, MBE, b Peterborough 1929, ed King's s. Peterborough, Cambridge U; entrepreneur, restaurateur, fdr Pizza Express; philanthropist, keen jazz follower; fdr Soho Jazz Festival; known as 'Mr Peterborough' for his munificent patronage of his hometown; ldr Soho Traders Section; autobiography 2014, *My Pizza and All That Jazz*; d 2018, he received a comprehensive *Guardian* obituary; **Peterborough 1974 Feb, Oct**

BONNER, Eric, b 1945, ed St Mirren's Acad, Paisley; in turn shop asst, long distance lorry/bus driver; later lived Beccles, Suffolk; Brentwood DC where he was among first Party cllrs elected; sported formidable beard; d 2015; **Billericay 1983**

BOTTOMLEY, Elizabeth T. (Liz), b 1943, ed Slough g h s, Queen Mary Coll, London U; teacher; cllr Brentwood DC 1983-98, Mayor 1993; d 1998; **Brentwood 1992, 1997**

BOULTON, Barry, b 1941, ed Leiston g s, Borough Poly; sales eng; Mailing RDC; **Bury St Edmunds 1974 Feb**

BOULTON, Billy, b 1976; among first advocates of legalisation of cannabis; **Castle Point 2001**

BOWLER, Sophie, b Lincolnshire ed Leeds U; worked in Sydney for New South Wales government, later for Bill Newton Dunn MEP in Strasbourg; later with financial firm in City; specialist in fighting financial crime, money-laundering, fraud; despite her impressive background, she opted to be no more than a complete 'paper' candidate, unwilling to meet the media thus causing embarrassment to the local Party; qv Laurence Brass below; **Hertsmere 2015**

BRACKEN, Martin William, b 1959, ed Harold Hill g s; senior manager for European bank, with responsibility for Treasury and financial markets; Chelmsford MBC; **Chelmsford West 1997**

BRADFORD, Christopher M.N., mbr Party Education panel; Cambridgeshire CC, Idr Alliance grp; **South Suffolk 1987**

BRASS, Laurence S., b 1947, ed Clifton Coll, Bristol, U Coll, London; solicitor; Hertsmere MBC; Board of Deputies of British and Commonwealth Jews, Assn of Liberal Lawyers, London Lib Dem Council; campaigned 2015 on behalf of Sophie Bowler qv above in Hertsmere, where he was local Party Chair; Euro cand 1979; Hornsey 1970, Finchley 1974 Feb, Oct, Edmonton 1983 (all Greater London), **Hertsmere, 1987**

BRINTON, Sarah Virginia (Sal), Baroness B. of Kenardington, (daughter of Tim Brinton 1929-2009 BBC broadcaster and Conservative MP 1979-87); b Paddington, 1955, ed Benenden s, Kent, Central School of Speech/Drama, London, Cambridge U, Anglia Ruskin U; BBC TV/Radio staff 1974-81, later venture capitalist 1984-1992, three times Business Woman of the Year, Exec Dir of Assn of Universities in East of England; administrator U of Cambridge; joined Party 1974; Cambridgeshire CC 1993-2004, grp Idr 1997-2004; Life-Peer 2011; acting LD Idr 2019-20; Health spokesperson in Lords 2020-22; elected Party Pres 2014, serving 2015-20; travelled widely in the UK after assuming the Presidency; has impressed on her appearances in the media; **Cambridgeshire South East 1997, 2001, Watford 2005, 2010**

BRISTOL, Jonathan b 1940, ed Salt g s, Fulneck Boys's, Royal Agricultural Coll, Cirencester; co dir, **South Norfolk 1979**

BRISTOW, Philip J., b 1956, ed Nevin Drive sen h s, Chingford, Essex; BT business development manager; mbr Charter 88; activist Wokingham area; **North East Bedfordshire 1997**, Rother Vale 2005 (Yorkshire Region)

BROCKLEBANK-FOWLER, Christopher, b Banbury, Oxfordshire 1934, ed Perse s; management cons/dir; fought West Ham North (Greater London) 1964 for Conservatives later MP, King's Lynn from 1970, then Norfolk North West to 1983 crossing floor of House to join SDP (see SDP section); later joined Liberals on merger; subsequently defected to Labour 1996; only political figure of note in modern era to have been a member of all four political parties; interested in overseas trade; later lived North Scotland; Chair, Caithness Partnership, grouping of charity organisations in county; worked to restore salmon to local rivers; d 2020; **South Norfolk 1992**

BROMLEY, Nick, ed Sir John Leman s, Norwich City Coll, Sheffield U; dir of health research; lives Beccles; mbr Centre for Reform; **Waveney 2005**

BROOKS-GORDON, Dr Belinda, ed s s, Manchester, Middlesex Poly, Cambridge U; originally a beautician, later qualified as lawyer, Ch Psychologist; with Metropolitan Police researching criminal justice, public safety; later academic Leicester U, Birkbeck Coll; cons to HM prison service; her many interests incl liberty; contributor to *Liberator*; lives Cambridge; **West Suffolk 2010**, Cities of London & Westminster 2015 (Greater London)

BROWN, Christopher, Ch PR practitioner; Reading MBC; trustee of charity for the homeless; interests incl education, environment; **South Norfolk 2017, 2019, 2024**

BROWN, Morag M., b 1916, ed Glasgow h s, Glasgow U; housewife, co dir; deceased; **Cambridgeshire 1970**

BROWN, R. Douglas, **South West Hertfordshire 1964**

BROWN, W. Glanville, b 1907, ed Magdalene Coll s, Oxford U; Inner Temple; barrister from 1932; involved in Japanese war crime trials 1945-47; worked on translation of legal sections of Treaty of Rome, chair of wages councils; his two contests were 29 years apart; d 1995; Cardiff Central 1935 (Wales), **St Albans 1964**

BROWN, Ruth, lived locally for 35 years; North Hertfordshire DC; has worked mainly in charity sector; community activist; interest incl health and social care, environment, more equal society; **North East Hertfordshire 2024**

BRYAN, John, b 1940, ed St Bonaventure's R C g s, London E; social worker; **Braintree 1979**

BRYANT, George Quantrill, b 1898; of old East Anglian farming family; ed North Haringay; garage proprietor/small holder; lost leg on service WWI; with RAF Flying Control Section WW II; first Party cand locally for over 25 years; d 1974; **South Norfolk 1950**

BUCKMASTER, Dr Hilda Mary Adela, (niece of Stanley B., 1st Visc 1861-1934, judge, MP Cambridge 1906-10, Keighley 1911-15, Lord Chancellor 1916-18); b Brentford, Middlesex 1896, ed Haberdashers' Aske's s, Acton, LSE, grad in Public Admin; post grad studies in International Relations; with Red Cross then original mbr WRNS in WWI, later worked with Friends' Relief in Poland 1925-26; fdr mbr in 1920s of NUS; active with Party from 1930s; active with League of Nations U; recalled to WRNS WWII, working at the Admiralty; a dietician, interested in problems of malnutrition; latterly warden of women's hall of residence, London U; became Canadian citizen 1954; long time PPC for Manchester, Rusholme for anticipated General Election of 1940; described as 'a formidable lady'; d 1993; Maldon 1935, **Chelmsford 1945**, Holborn & St Pancras South 1950 (Greater London)

BUCKTON, David John, b Cambridge 1934, ed Monkton Combe sen s, Cambridge U; TV film producer; Dir St George's Guildhall/King's Lynn Arts Centre & Festival; Norfolk CC; lives Thetford; **South West Norfolk 1997**

BUKOLA, Michael, hails from London where he works as a nurse; U grad; spent 10 years previously in business; former Cllr; interests incl quality of life, threat to Green Belt, concerned over problems facing Basildon & Thurrock Hospital and threatened closure of Orsett Hospital; **South Basildon & East Thurrock 2019, Thurrock 2024**

BURRELL, John E., b 1935, ed Morecambe g s, Manchester U; statistician; Vice-Chair NLYL, LPO Council; **Bedford 1966**

BURWOOD, Simon J., local resident; Maldon DC; worked in adult education, people with learning difficulties; his major interest is the NHS; **Maldon 2024**

BUSH, (Lt) Hamilton Brinsley, b Camberwell, London, 1896, ed Highgate h s, managing dir of firm of manufacturing chemists; service in army WW I, in WW II in ARP and Home Guard; d 1953; **Watford 1950, 1951**

BUTCHER, Arthur W. (Rik), b 1940 ed Beverley b s, New Maldon, Surrey; journalist; long career with provincial newspapers, later editorial management with Western Web Offset; attracted into Party by appeal of Jo Grimond qv (Scotland); deeply interested in education; graduate in Psychology,

Leicester U 1996; later career as marriage guidance counsellor; walking enthusiast, completed Shetlands to Scilly Isles hike 1993; d 2022; **Bedford 1970**

CADMAN, David, b 1941, ed Friends' s, Saffron Walden, London U; Ch Surveyor, managing dir; Party Housing panel; **Harwich 1974 Feb**

CAMPBELL, Helen, has lived locally for 20 years; Hertfordshire CC; career in business journalism; her major interests are health care/mental health, re-entry to EU; **Hertford & Stortford 2024**

CANE, Charlotte Kathryn Bourne, née Hilton, b 1958, ed St Helen's s, Northwood, Birmingham U; archaeologist later Ch Acc; joined party aged 16; Euro cand 1994 Birmingham East; moved to Cambridgeshire 1990s; long service on East Cambridgeshire DC, grp ldr 1999-2002; in Commons mbr of Public Administration & Constitutional Affairs Select Cttee 2024-; there was an interval of 32 years between her first two contests; Birmingham, Selly Oak 1987 (West Midland Region), **Harlow 2019, Ely & East Cambridgeshire 2024; MP 2024-**

CANNING, Andrew, b 1962, ed Sir Roger Manwood's s, Sandwich, LSE; economist/investment man.; with banking group; ULS, London Party Exec; agent for Simon Hughes MP qv (Greater London) in 1992, Southwark LBC; later Dorchester TC, Mayor, West Dorset DC; cand for Dorset Police Commissioner 2012; mbr Greenpeace, Amnesty, Friends of the Earth; **Watford 1997, Dorset South 2001, Christchurch 2010** (both Southwest Region)

CANTRILL, Rod, of Nottinghamshire mining stock, ed Cambridge U; co dir; Cambridge MBC; interests incl charity for the homeless; in 2019 he was selected by the constituency poll primary system; **South West Bedfordshire 2010, Huntingdon 2015, 2017, Cambridge 2019**

CARDEN, Richard A. P., ed King's s, Canterbury, Oxford U; systems eng; Norfolk CC, South Oxfordshire DC, Henley-on-Thames BC, TC; **South Norfolk 1983, 1987**

CARSON, Helen G., **Saffron Walden 1955**

CASS, Gerald, b 1929, ed Priory s, Acton; Ch Sec; managed accs dept of West End co; Chair, London Liberal Party; Hendon North 1966, 1970 (Greater London), Hastings (Southeast Region) 1974 Feb, **South West Hertfordshire 1979**

CATON, Melvin Henry, b 1959, ed Bishop's Stortford Coll, Salford U, Loughborough U; co dir family firm; cllr Uttlesford DC, Essex CC; interests incl Green LDs, Charter 88; **Saffron Walden 1997**

CHAPMAN, Mark, b Hitchin 1973; sen sales manager; cllr Mid Bedfordshire DC; **Mid Bedfordshire 2005, Spelthorne 2015** (Southeast Region)

CHAPMAN, Peter, b 1959, ed Denbigh h s, Luton, Luton Coll of FE; salesman; Luton MBC; **Luton South 1987**

CHAPPELL, David E., b Hartlepool, 1953, ONC in Construction; training in law, economics; quantity surveyor in building ind; St Edmundsbury BC; mbr Green Liberals, Friends of Palestine; United Nations Assn; **Bury St Edmunds 2005, 2010, 2015**

CHARLTON, Anthony, **Thurrock 1974 Oct, by-e 1976**

CHATFIELD, Jonathan P, b c 1968, ed Weymouth g s, U of Bradford, Pres of Union; communications manager with railway co; interest incl mental health; **Cambridgeshire South East 2005, 2010, 2015**

CHILVERS, Karen, b 1971, ed Gaynes s, Upminster, Essex; lived locally since 1992; Ch Institute of Management; marketing cons; author of children's books; cllr Brentwood DC; engaged in battles with the Highways Agency; strongly pro-Europe; interests incl human rights, equal opportunities; d 2022; Hornchurch & Upminster 2010 (Greater London), **Brentwood & Ongar 2017**

CHRISTIAN, D., **Colchester 1974 Oct**

CHRISTIAN, John P., b 1929, ed privately; managing dir of advertising agency; **Mid Bedfordshire 1970**

CLARK, Peter C., b 1947, ed Friends' School, Saffron Walden; bank clerk; Uttlesford DC; **East Hertfordshire 1974 Feb, Oct**

CLIFFORD-JACKSON, Vivienne Helen, lect in Nursing, co dir; Norfolk Community Health Trust; **Mid Norfolk 2001, 2005**

CLOUSTON, (Lt) Dane S. C., b 1938, ed Marlborough, Oxford U, Royal Naval Coll, Dartmouth; mature student, former banker; prominent in Oxfordshire Party circles; later involved with 'continuing' Liberals, holding office with that grouping; something of a free spirit; recent lengthy posts on internet incl *The Reform of Capitalism*; Newbury 1970, 1974 Feb, Oct (South Central Region), **South West Hertfordshire by-e 1979**

COLEBY, Peter R., b 1935, ed St James g s, Isle of Wight; Ch Acc, freelance script writer; Waveney DC **Great Yarmouth 1974 Feb, Oct**

COLEMAN, Iain, cllr Cambridge City C, cabinet mbr; interests incl recycling; Lib Dem Voice; **North East Hertfordshire 2005**

COLLINGS, Gustave R., b 1925, ed John Lyon's s, co dir, book publisher; Portsmouth, Langstone 1964 (South Central Region), **North Norfolk 1979**

COLLINS, Paul, b 1960, lived Southend from 1982; joined Party 1979; works for ins broker; Southend MBC; active with charity organisations; **Southend West 2015**

COLLINS, Sam, professional writer, tech cons; lives St Ippolyts; author of six books on motor racing; regular TV broadcaster on Formula 1 and Le Mans 24 Hours; committee mbr Assn of Lib Dem Engineers and Scientists; he raised the Party percentage poll by an astonishing 24.76%; **Hitchin & Harpenden 2019**

COLLINS, Victoria Mei Elizabeth, lives Berkhamsted; of Chinese descent; ed privately, Newcastle-upon-Tyne Church h s, Durham U, Master's degree in international economic policy, Paris; technical entrepreneur; has worked at the European Parliament on environmental and sustainability projects; fighting on local issues, NHS, care services, policing, schools etc, her astonishing victory was achieved on a swing of 24.9% giving her a majority of 10,708; LD Spokesperson Science, Innovation & Technology 2024-; Poole 2019 (South West Region), **Harpenden & Berkhamsted 2024; MP 2024-**

COLLIS, Gudrun Claire Ziegler, b 1937, ed Watford g s, Cambridge U, solicitor; served as Sec PCA, NLYL Exec; impressed early on with her energy and enthusiasm; a long break from campaigning; became active in Southwest Region; cllr Devizes MBC, dpty Mayor 1984; contestant in BBC Radio *Brain of Britain* 1990; **Chigwell 1964, 1966**, Swindon 1979 (Southwest Region)

COLWELL, Rob, b 1982? ed Gaywood j s, King Edward's h s; lived Kings Lynn from childhood, partner on firm of solicitors in Kings Lynn specialising in family matters; joined Party 2016, county and borough cllr; fearful of damage likely to be caused to UK outside Europe; passionate about developing Britain with a high-tech carbon free economy, concerned about functioning of NHS, sewage pollution; **North West Norfolk 2019, 2024**

COOKE, Daniel, Welwyn Hatfield DC ldr grp; d 2005; **Welwyn Hatfield 2001**

COOPER, Daisy, b Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk 1981, ed Leeds U; involved for 10 years with overseas development agencies advising ministers; worked with Hacked Off campaign, latterly with VSO; interests incl Votes At 16, human rights, freedom of speech; mbr Party Diversity Engagement Group; described by *The Telegraph* as 'a high achiever', 'one to watch;' Party Federal Exec, ALDC management comm; runner-up to Sal Brinton qv in Party Pres election 2014; lives Haywards Heath; her victory in Dec 2019 was a great consolation among so much disappointment; appointed Party Spokesperson at Westminster on Justice, Digital, Culture, Media and Sport; she was appointed Deputy Leader of the Parliamentary Party in Aug 2020; in 2024 she increased her vote share by 6.7% to raise her majority to 19,834; **Suffolk Coastal 2010**, Mid Sussex 2015 (Southeast Region), **St Albans 2017, 2019, 2024; MP 2019-**

COOPER, David A., b 1947 ed Christopher Wren comp, London, Canley TTC, Coventry; former teacher, later charity co-ordinator; Suffolk Coastal DC; mbr Evangelical Alliance; **Bury St Edmunds 1997**

CORNWELL, Ronald Thomas Archibald, b Upper Parkstone, Dorset 1905, father Ald and Mayor of Poole; formerly ins broker, later had interests with estate and property cos; military service WW II with Royal Corps of Signals; active with South Buckinghamshire Liberal Assn, fund raiser with National Playing Fields Assn; first Party cand for many years in constituency with history of National Liberal affiliation in 1930s and 40s; father of renowned author John Le Carré; said to be the model for character Rick Pym in *A Perfect Spy* (1986); became an associate of the notorious Kray brothers; prodigious gambler, later jailed for ins fraud; d 1975; **Yarmouth 1950**

CROME, David R., b 1937, ed Sale h s, Cheshire, William Hulme's g s, Manchester Law School; solicitor; **Lowestoft 1966, 1970**

CROSSE, (Lt) Matthew P., journalist/public relations cons; service WW II RNVR in Intelligence; deceased; **Lowestoft 1945**

CROUCH, Robert L., b 1935, ed LSE, U of California; RN service, Fleet Air Arm; economist; lect U of Essex; LPO Council; author of books on economics; long-time resident of USA where he died 11/6/2014; **South Norfolk 1966**

CROWSON, Michael, b 1940, ed Bridlington g s, Oastler Coll, Huddersfield, U of Alberta, Canada; teacher; contested Federal and Provincial Elections in Canada; **Thurrock 1979**

CUMBERLAND, Sidney Francis, b 1949, ed Westcliffe h s, Ushaw Coll, Durham, Gregorian U, Rome; Oxford U; p s dpty head; Rochford DC; **Rayleigh 1997, 2005**

CUMMINS, Stephen, born UK, grew up in Ireland, has lived/worked locally for 10 years; works for an asset management co; studying for his degree in Human Rights and Family Law; walks on crutches; school governor, contests local elections; interests incl better access to health services, cost of living crisis; **Southend West & Leigh 2024**

CURRY, J. Michael J., b 1923, ed Bancrofts s; travel agent; **Southend East 1974 Feb, Oct**

DALE, Tom Edward, b Clacton-on-Sea 1931, ed Colchester Royal g s, Gosfield s, Halstead, RADA, LSE, Pres of Union, London U Inst of Education; Warden of Cambridge Int Centre, sometime dir of public relations co; mbr New Orbits group; Chair, National Liberal Club General Comm; mbr of Council of Essex U; as a YL in 1950 he is said to have advised the Party Ldr, Clement Davies qv (Wales) to take out insurance against the possibility of multiple deposits being forfeited, thus avoiding a total financial disaster; generally reckoned to be on the right of the Party, acted as unofficial minder/secretary to Jeremy Thorpe during much of his tenure of Party leadership, arbitrarily deciding who should have access to him; could be somewhat gruff and officious in manner; long associated with Liberal Int, Lib Summer School; cllr Essex CC, gp ldr, served on Tendring DC, Brightlingsea TC, Mayor; devoted to the interests of his home town; doggedly persistent campaigner, unstinting in his efforts for the Party over many years; his last decade was sadly blighted by dementia; d 2019; **Harwich 1959, 1964, 1966, 1970, Central Suffolk 1987**

DANGERFIELD, Elma Tryphosa, OBE, CBE née Birkett b Liverpool 1907, ed Cheltenham Ladies Coll; spent childhood in Philippines, Hong Kong; her husband, a RN captain, died 1941, leaving her a widow for 65 years, free to indulge her literary, political and business interests in London; said to have known 'everyone' and had contacts 'everywhere'; in WWII, with the Admiralty and MI9; later journalist, writer, inveterate campaigner; wrote early exposes of holocausts of Jews and gypsies before the end of the war; later of Gulags in USSR in *Beyond the Urals* pub 1946; associate of Duchess of Atholl in British League for European Freedom; helped found Euro-Atlantic Group; expert at starting cross-party, extra parliamentary campaigns; later re-established Byron Society 1975; considered by some as eccentric by others as 'decidedly dotty,' she claimed to be a re-incarnation of a lover of Byron; her ties with the Liberals loosened due to her opposition to Britain's membership of EEC; perennial attendee of Liberal Summer Schools; gifted with a strong voice, she regularly misjudged Party Assemblies in debate by putting rhetorical questions to her audience only to receive unexpected contrary answers which defeated her purpose; d 2006; received monumental obituaries in *The Independent* etc; Aberdeen South 1959 (Scotland), **Hitchin 1964**

DANIELS, Thomas b 1939, ed Trinity Coll, Dublin; lect Luton Coll of T'nology; **Luton 1966**

DARLING, (Major) Thomas, farmer; active with NFU; **Hitchin 1945**

DAVEY, Serena, b Essex, ed Chelmsford, U of Essex; worked for NSPCC, RAC; career in IT: at Westminster; worked on Pupil Premium Policy; active with charities; **Castle Point 2015**

DAVIES, Harry, Three Rivers DC; **Stevenage 2001**

DAVIES, Jonathan Maurice, b 1962, of Jewish background, ed Gravesend b g s, Oxford U; solicitor; Barnet LBC, pioneer in recycling; Treasurer London Party, Treasurer Golders Green Synagogue; mbr Friends of Israel; Finchley & Golders Green 1997 (Greater London), **Hertsmere 2005**, Finchley & Golders Green 2015 (Greater London)

DAVIES, Julia M., b 1952, ed Merchant Taylors' g s, Crosby, Bedford Coll, London U; teacher; Stanstead Abbots PC; mbr Green LDs; **Broxbourne 1992, 1997, 2001, Stevenage 2005, 2010**

D'CRUZ, Brendan, ed U of Plymouth, C, IT professional; university lect; active South Wales; contributor to study *Making Migration Work for Britain*; Isylwn 2005 (Wales), **Castle Point 2010**

DAVIS, Carys, b Penzance 1981, BSc (Sociology), MA (Human Rights), Post Grad Dip (Broadcast Journalism); Inst of PR; parliamentary researcher to Danny Alexander MP; worked for international development abroad; fdr Friends of the Maldives; **Thurrock 2010**

DEAN, Alan, cllr Uttlesford DC, grp ldr; resilient campaigner, energetic blogger; **North East Cambridgeshire 2005, Waveney 2010**

DEAN, Gordon, ed East Anglia U, Nottingham Trent U; sen partner law firm; volunteer Norwich Law Centre; Norfolk CC; active in Law Society, specialist in Employment, Personal and Injury Law; **South West Norfolk 2001**

DE MONTMORENCY, (Sir) Arnold Geoffrey, b 1908; succ as 19th Bt 1979; ed Westminster s, Cambridge U; from an old Liberal family; service in Middle East WWII; LPO Council, Liberal Lawyers Assn; barrister from 1932; owner/literary editor for many years of *The Contemporary Review*, being largely responsible for the continued existence of that publication; described in his obituary in *The Daily Telegraph* as 'thin, irascible, impractical, eccentric;' said to have survived on a diet of Maltesers and Kitcats; a cousin of the renowned Hollywood stars Olivia De Havilland and Joan Fontaine; d 2003; **Cambridge 1959**, Cirencester & Tewkesbury 1964 (Southwest Region)

DENNIS, (Capt) George James Stephen, b Dorchester 1912, ed Weymouth s, Westminster s, Cambridge U; service WW II in Royal Tank Corps; expert on crop diseases; farmer in Dorset where he was Lord of Manor of Broadmayne; first Party cand locally for more than 20 years; noted sportsman, point-to-point jockey; a claim that he played cricket for Hampshire CCC has not been substantiated; deceased; **South West Norfolk 1950**

DE ROTHSCHILD, James Armand Edmond (Jimmy), DCM, JP, b Paris 1878, into the illustrious international Jewish banking dynasty; ed Lycee Louis le Grand, Paris, Cambridge U; described as 'one of the more colourful' Liberal MPs; racehorse owner; wore monocle; Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Supply 1945; Deputy Lt for County of London; munificent philanthropist; bequeathed home to National Trust; donated £ Israeli 6m towards building of Knesset building; his defeat at Ely in 1945 was attributable to the intervention of a Labour cand, resulting in one of only a handful of Conservative gains in that general election; d 1957; m Dorothy Mathilde Pinto (1896-1988) who campaigned with her husband; her will of £94m was the largest probated estate recorded in England to that time; **Isle of Ely 1929, 1931, 1935, 1945; MP 1929-1945**

DE SAINTE CROIX, Richard John, formerly SDP qv (Greater London); **Southend West 2001**, Fareham 2005 (South Central Region)

DICKSON, Andrew M., ed London Business s, U of Aberystwyth; former teacher; Vice-Pres Goldman-Sachs; later Chair/Managing Dir ARCinter Capital Ltd; interests incl Prince's Trust, Howard League, Prison Reform Trust; **South Cambridgeshire 2005**

DIX, Eric, b 1923, ed Westminster City s, Cambridge U, personnel manager; **Hitchin 1974 Oct, 1979**

DOLLING, Michael J., b 1938, ed sec s, motor eng apprenticeship; taxi proprietor; Chair, Luton Taxi Owners Assn; active with National Federation of Taxicab Assns; cllr Luton MBC; **Luton West 1974 Feb, Oct, 1979**

DRAYTON, Harold Charles Gilbert, b 1901; dir of transport cos; farmer in Suffolk; adopted PPC in 1940, he did not stand at the by-election of 1944, respecting the wartime electoral truce; in his place, Margery Corbett Ashby, a veteran campaigner for the Liberals at seven pre-war elections, resigned from the Party to fight as an Ind Lib; she polled 43.8%; d 1966; **Bury St Edmunds 1945**

DREW, Royle, b 1932, of Nottinghamshire mining stock, ed Henry Mellish g s, Nottingham District Tech Coll; chief clerk later exec with Norwich Union Ins; campaigned for lower bus fares; JP; mbr of Spiritualist Church; joined party 1965; **Central Norfolk 1970**

DUFF, Andrew Nicholas, OBE; b Birkenhead 1950, ed Sherborne s, Cambridge U; L'Universite Libre de Brussels; research officer Hansard Soc; EC affairs cons, research fellow Joseph Rowntree Trust; joined party 1974; cllr Cambridge City C 1982-90, grp ldr 1988-90; LPO Federal Exec 1994-97; Chair, English Council; Euro cand 1984, 1989, 1994; President European Union of Federalists; MEP (Eastern Region) 1999-2014; held several posts at Strasbourg; ldr Liberal Grp 2007-09; spokesman on Constitutional Affairs for ALDE; member of several committees at Strasburg, including Foreign Affairs, Human Rights, Defence; author of several books and studies on European affairs; respected figure at Strasburg; serious-minded, a good communicator; **Huntingdon 1992**

DYSON, Mark, b 1957; career in broadcasting; **Ipswich 2010**

EDINGER, George Adolphus, b 1899, of Jewish background; journalist/author/war corr; wrote books on Nelson, Gladstone in 1930s; first Party cand locally since 1929; d 1984; **Saffron Walden 1945**

ELLIS, Trevor K., b 1954, ed Earls Colne g s; welfare rights worker for national charity; cllr Braintree DC **Braintree 1997, North Essex 2001**

ELVIN Anne M., b 1940, ed St Angela's Convent, North London, London U, Manchester U; teacher; cllr Tendring DC; mbr CPRE; **Harwich 1997, Central Suffolk & North Ipswich 2001**

ENGLISH, Ruth Crisp, b 1908, Suffolk, daughter of Sir Thomas C-E, surgeon to Winston Churchill; nursing service in WW II before entering War Office Intelligence Dept; social work in London's East End; hospital governor; Hon Sec Westminster L A, London Liberal Party Exec; m Aubrey Herbert qv; d 1978; **Lowestoft 1950**

EVANS, David E., b 1925 ed William Ellis s, Highgate, Acton Co s; public relations cons; cllr Southend MBC for many years, later ald; greatly respected in Party circles for his expertise on local government matters; Ealing South (Greater London) 1955, Barking (Greater London) 1959, **Southend East 1964, Southend West 1979, Southend East by-e 1980**

EWART, Julia (Jules), from Yorkshire, lives Kelsale; trained nurse; active as local government cand; Chair, Suffolk E.U. Alliance; interests incl rural schools, affordable transport, public health; **Suffolk Coastal 2019, 2024**

FEATHERSTONE, Edward, **South West Hertfordshire 2001, 2005**

FINCH, Amy, has lived in North Hertfordshire for many years; ed Letchworth sec s; worked with Child and Adolescent Health Services (CAMHS); interests incl mental health services, climate emergency, in-work poverty; joined Lib Dems 2017; **North East Hertfordshire 2019**

FISHER, James, b 1936, ed Headlands g s, Swindon, Nottingham U; systems analyst with BAC; ldr party group Luton MBC, Ldr Party group Bedfordshire CC; **Luton East 1974 Feb, Oct**

FITCHETT, Keith, b 1946, ed Alleyn's s, Oxford U; information systems lect; dir, Monteverdi Choir and Orchestra; cllr Lambeth LBC; he was obliged to resign as Chair of Housing after £3m was stolen from the accounts by an employee, though he himself was not involved in the fraud; formerly SDP for whom he fought Banbury 1983 qv (South Central Region); Hackney South (Greater London) 1992, **Luton South 1997, Ashford 2001 (Southeast Region)**

FLEETWOOD, Kaye, b 1942, ed Loughton co h s, West Ham Coll of T'ology; sales manager of scientific co; **Thurrock 1970, 1974 Feb**

FORTUNE, Edward, b 1943, ed Yarm g s, Yorkshire, Imperial Coll, London U; operational research analyst; cllr Upton-by-Chester RDC; **Basildon, 1974 Feb, Oct**

POWER, Darren, b/raised Peterborough ed ed Walton comp, Peterborough Regional Coll, De Montfort U; with local charity, previously with Spina Bifida; cllr Peterborough MBC; **Peterborough 2015, North East Cambridgeshire 2017**

FRANKS, David, b 1944, ed locally; merchandising administrator; cllr Luton BC, grp ldr; Amnest Int, Friends of the Earth; **Luton East 1979, Luton South 1983**

FRANKS, Kieron Anthony b 2001? at Doncaster; cllr Chelmsford City C; Pres of Essex U Lib Dems; joined party 2019; cand for Essex Police & Fire Commissioner 2024; **Braintree 2024**

FRARY, Susan, b 1959, ed Thorpe St Andrew and Thorpe g s, Oswestry, North Staffordshire School of Physiotherapy; physiotherapist, bookkeeper; mbr Broads Soc, World-Wide Fund for Nature; **Mid Norfolk 1997**

FREEMAN, Mark, b 1953, ed Cedars s, Leighton Buzzard; comp software cons; cllr South Beds DC, grp ldr, Leighton Tinslade DC; **South West Bedfordshire 1992**

FRENCH, Lisa, works for a university healthcare research dept; local campaigner; supports votes at 16, healthcare reform; Electoral Reform Society; **Mid Bedfordshire 2017**

FREUD, Sir Clement Raphael, Kt, b Berlin 1924, grandson of the Austrian psycho-analyst; of Jewish ancestry later became Anglican; brother of Lucien, leading artist, from whom he was estranged for many years; family fled to Britain late 1930s; ed Hall prep s, Dartington Hall s, St Pauls s; service WW II; present at Nuremberg Trials 1946; writer of numerous books on cooking etc, chef who trained at Dorchester Hotel and Hotel Martinez in Cannes; held several directorships; highly popular, successful TV/radio panellist, personality with distinctive, lugubrious style; his bloodhound-like appearance was used to great effect in a TV commercial for dog food featuring him and a bloodhound; regular p[annalist on BBC Radio 4's *Just a Minute*; touchy, fiercely competitive, fastidious individual, easily upset by trivialities, with several hang-ups; as a constituency MP, assiduous in his duties; effective speaker in Commons on educational matters etc; m Jill Flewett, an actor and theatre director; some time after his death, allegations were made revealing that he had been a serial sexual predator over many years; Kt 1987; autobiography *Freud Ego* (2001); d 2009; **Isle of Ely by-e 1973, 1974 Feb, Oct, 1979, North East Cambridgeshire 1983, 1987; MP 1973-87**

FRY, (Capt) Howard Levett, b 1912, ed Paxton Park s, St Paul's s; Imperial Airways from 1932, later RAF pilot flying transport aircraft; senior captain with BOAC, fdr mbr British Airline Pilots Assn; founded Westward Airways 1968 which ceased trading 1970; pioneer of Newquay Airport; LPO Council early 1960s; fine speaking voice; sported an impressive 'Battle of Britain' moustache; persistent if somewhat itinerant campaigner over 20 years; New Forest 1950 (Southwest Region), Aylesbury 1955, 1959 (South Central Region), **Colchester by-e 1961**, Wells 1964, 1966 (Southwest Region), St Ives 1970 (Devon & Cornwall Region)

GAGE, Martin, b 1952? sen clerk; **Colchester 1979**

GASKELL, Peter, b 1965, ed John Rigby Coll, Orell, Warwick U; editor of corporate investment journals; **Milton Keynes North East 1992**, Wellingborough 2001 (East Midlands) 2001

GASZCZAK, Susan, b 1978? of a Liberal family, raised Richmond; latterly office manager for charity; Federal Conference Comm; cllr Bedfordshire CC; prominent among the group of a dozen or more women, Party staff/volunteers, who accused Lord Rennard, in a blaze of newspaper publicity in 2013-14, of inappropriate conduct/making chauvinist remarks towards them etc while working at LPO HQ; she resigned from the Party in protest at its failure to deal with the matter to her satisfaction; **Rayleigh & Wickford 2010**

GATISS, Sheila Joan, née Flexen, b 1937, ed Streatham Hill, Clapham h s, Guy's Hospital, London; research asst; cllr Cambridgeshire CC; Chair Cambridge Community Health Council; Society of Friends; d 2018; **Huntingdon 1983**

GIBBONS, Brian K., b 1922? principal systems acc; CCLlr; **Bedford 1979, North Bedfordshire 1983**

GIBSON, Dr Barbara, b Oklahoma City, USA 1962, in UK since 2002, citizen since 2011; lives Welwyn; worked in business communications for 25 years; lect, Birkbeck Coll, London U; cllr Hertfordshire CC 2017-21; internationalist in outlook; MEP East of England 2019-20, appt Chair, Party People Dvlpmnt Cttee 2020; **Stevenage 2017**

GIFFORD, Zerbanoo, née Irani, b in India 1950, of Zoroastrian/Parsee background; father President of World Zoroastrian Organisation; raised in London; ed Roedean s, Watford Coll of T'nology, London School of Journalism; m Richard G., international human rights lawyer; cllr Harrow LBC from 1982, first Asian Lib Dem cllr; campaigner for women's and human rights; first Asian woman to stand for Westminster parliament; advisor to Paddy Ashdown on community affairs; founding dir of ASHA; wrote *Confessions to a Serial Womaniser*, a series of over 300 interviews with women achievers from 60 countries; remembered for her sense of humour; involved with numerous charities and int organisations; campaigner for women's rights; sadly made little impression on her appearance on BBC Radio *Any Questions?*; said to have been bitterly resentful at being passed over for a peerage; inactive in Party circles for some years; **Hertsmere 1983**, Harrow East 1987 (Greater London), **Hertsmere 1992**

GILBERT, Terence, **Ipswich 2001**

GLEED, Michael J., b 1930, ed Sherborne s, Cambridge U; farmer; active with South Suffolk LDA; Babergh DC; **Mid Norfolk 1992**

GLENTON, Robert, b 1920, ed Scarborough Coll; motoring correspondent with *Sunday Express* etc, international rally driver, author; in the Worcester by-e 1961 he finished a very close third in a tight three-way contest, a result which re-invigorated the West Midland Regional Party; re-adopted, he subsequently resigned; his abrupt departure from the region was much regretted; m Stella King 1919-1982, journalist and author; d 1998; **Hitchin 1959**, Worcester by-e 1961 (West Midland Region), Enfield West 1964 (Greater London), Bolton West 1966 (Northwest Region)

GOLDBLATT, David, b 1896, of Jewish background, ed Cambridge U; WWI army service; engaged in timber trade; during WWII worked in timber control dept of Ministry of Supply; mbr Design For Freedom group; fought LCC election; d 1965; Finchley 1945 (Greater London), **Colchester 1950**, Bristol West 1951 (Southwest Region)

GOLDMAN, Marie Clare, has lived locally since 2003; background in management cons, dir of small businesses; joined Party 2016, Dpty Ldr, Chelmsford City C; has worked in several countries; a confirmed internationalist; concerned at climate change; contributor to *Liberator*; she raised the Party share of the poll by 12.90% in her first contest, in her second she won by a majority of 4,753 on a swing of 13.8%; in Commons LD Shadow Leader of the House 2024-25, Spokesperson Women & Equalities 2025-, mbr Modernisation Cttee 2024-25; **Chelmsford 2019, 2024; MP 2024-**

GOLDSPINK, Minone, b 1941, ed Godolphin c, Salisbury, St Mary's Hospital Medical School, London U; East Hertfordshire DC, Stortford TC, Mayor; mbr Charter 88; **Central Suffolk North Ipswich 1997, Hertford & Stortford 2001**

GOLDSTONE, (F/L) Basil E., b Twickenham 1909, originally of Jewish background, became Catholic; ed Richmond Hill s, Dover Coll; RAF service WW II; later catering manager; animal rights campaigner; crusading, jovial, be-whiskered, rosy-cheeked, great-hearted stalwart candidate over 40 years fighting on eight occasions in four regions; cllr Kingsclere and Whitchurch RDC, Lynn TC; President of LPO 1976-77; in 1978 the Party voted to accept his wide-ranging proposals for animal protection legislation; at Dover he was the first cand for 20 years; d 1988; Hendon 1935 (Greater London), Petersfield 1945 (South Central Region), Dover 1950 (Southeast Region), Basingstoke 1964 (South Central Region), **Peterborough 1966, South Norfolk 1970, Harlow 1974 Feb, Oct**

GOODE, Geoffrey Maxwell, ed Kettering g s, U Coll, Aberystwyth; farmer; stalwart campaigner fighting eight elections over two decades; Dorset South 1955 (Southwest Region), **Central Norfolk 1959, by-e 1962, 1964**, Dorset South 1966, Poole 1970, 1974 Feb, Oct (all Southwest Region)

GOODENOUGH, Robert M., b 1948, ed Gilbert s, Colchester, Borough Rd Coll, London; Open U; teacher; **Harwich 1979, 1983**

GOODMAN, (Lt) Lionel Edward, b 1910; service WW II; Norwich boot manufacturer; d 1984; **Cambridgeshire 1945**

GOODWIN, Ben, b Sydney, Australia, his family home being in Broadland; abruptly ret after 17 years with RAF as pilot, later asst to chief of defence, also with NATO; he was prompted by belief that Britain is faced with a 'national crisis' over Brexit and that a second Referendum was necessary; **Broadland 2019**

GORDON, Stephen, joined Party 1990; homeopathy practitioner; campaigned for homeopathy to be available through NHS; adopted to fight Waveney 2015 but withdrew at 11th hour; Kenninghall PC; **South West Norfolk 2010, 2017**

GOSS, Martin, ed Pretty Gate p s, Philip Morant s s, grad in Business Studies, Suffolk Coll, MSc Business Admin, Open U; information technologist for ins co; Colchester MBC 11 years; local campaigner, promoter of neighbourhood watch schemes, organising community litter picks; **Colchester 2019, 2024**

GRACE, David, b Leigh-on-Sea 1951, ed Dover Coll, Cambridge U, Pres of Union; worked in office of Parliamentary Ombudsman; qualified in law, computer sciences; clerk to James Madison Trust, Head of Office, Social Liberal Forum; contributor to *Liberator*; opposed to renewal of Trident; East Sussex CC serving as Head of Euro Affairs; at Clacton, held for a short time by a UKIP MP, he raised the Party vote by 0.5% over the dismal by-election showing a year earlier; there was a gap of nearly three decades between his first and second contests; Gainsborough & Horncastle 1987 (East Midlands), **Clacton 2015, 2017**

GRAHAM, Andy, b Birmingham 1955, ed tech s; playwright, teacher, producer/director, author children's books; East Hertfordshire DC, Mayor, Bishop's Stortford; now lives in Cotswolds; advocate of drama as core subject in education; unfortunately polled just 1.37 % in the by-election won by UKIP at the time of the high-water mark in that Party's fortunes; **Clacton by-e 2014**, Witney 2015 (South Central Region), **Broxbourne 2017**

GRAHAM, Dominic, hails from North East, ed U of Central Lancashire, York Coll of Law; solicitor, specialising in cases of medical negligence; Colchester MBC; interests – NHS, Transport; **Harwich & North Essex 2015, 2017, Braintree 2019**

GRANSHAW, Dr Lindsay, now Baroness Northover of Cissbury, b 1954, ed Brighton & Hove h s, Oxford U, Bryn Mawr Coll/U of Pennsylvania, Fellow of various colleges and universities; lecturer, U Coll, London; originally SDP fought Welwyn Hatfield 1983, 1987; served on negotiating comm in 1987-88 during SDP/Liberal Party merger; Chair WLD 1992-95, Chair, PCA 1987-91; Life Peerage 1997; in Lords, Baroness-in-Waiting; coalition whip; has served on numerous committees and Select Committees including Stem Cell Research, European Union on Foreign Affairs, Parliamentary US International Dvlpmnt 2014-15; spokesperson on Int Development 2002-10; author of various academic publications; **Basildon 1997**

GRANT, Liam Gavin b 1955, ed Roan g s, Greenwich, Reading U; joined ULS; background/ career in personnel/public relations, later promotions campaigner for Protection of Rural England; Chair, Western Region Party 2011; campaigned against racism, testing cosmetics on animals; Chief Exec, RSPCA; 2012-14; cllr Malmesbury TC 2014, Wiltshire CC 2017-; **Southend West 1983, 1987**

GRANVILLE, Edgar, later Lord G. of Eye, b Reading 1898; from 1931-1942 Liberal National under Sir John Simon, then sat on cross benches, discontented with the coalition's conduct of WW II; re-joined Party under Archibald Sinclair, April 1945 (qv Scotland); always to the left of the Party, became disillusioned with right-ward drift under Clement Davies; later defected to Labour and fought Eye 1955, 1959; d 1998, two days after his 100th birthday; **Eye 1929, 1931, 1935, 1945, 1950, 1951 MP 1929-51** see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

GRAVES, Adrian P., b 1948, ed King's, Ely, Cambridge Coll of Arts & T'nology; public relations cons; Euro cand 1994; mbr Transport 2000, various railway pressure groups; defected from Party 2006, claiming many others would follow; **West Suffolk 1997, 2005**

GRAY, Ann, b 1952, ed Kidbrook comp, West Midlands Coll of Ed, Staffordshire; teacher; cllr Chiltern DC, grp ldr; **Hertsmere 1997**

GRAYSON, Prof Richard Sean, b Hemel Hempstead 1969, ed Hemel Hempstead comp s, U of East Anglia, Oxford U; various academic posts, currently Prof of C20th History, Goldsmith Coll, London U; prolific author of well-received historical studies, including *British Politics – A Beginner's Guide* pub 2010, and Liberal Party history; many pamphlets; contributor to *New Statesman*, *The Independent*, *The Guardian*; dir of Centre for Reform 1998-99; script-writer for Charles Kennedy; closely involved in party policy research, very influential for a decade or more; Party Dir of Policy 1999-2004, Fed Policy Comm Vice-Chair 2008-10, engaged drafting reports, compiling manifesto etc. recommended policy which became basis for 'pupil premium' legislation in coalition agreement; became however an early critic of the Lib Dem–Conservative coalition agreement; left Party 2013; subsequently joined Labour; **Hemel Hempstead 2005, 2010**

GREAVES, Walter, b Durham 1940, ed Harrogate g s, University Coll, London U, Pres of Union; Massachusetts Inst of T'nology; later manager with Mercedes-Benz; long association as academic with Brunel U; Pres NLYLs, LPO Exec; Harrogate 1966, 1970 (Yorkshire Region), **Southend West 1974 Feb, Oct**

GREEN, David W., b 1949, ed Queen Edith's g s, Cambridge, in Belfast, Judd s, Tonbridge; Cambridgeshire CC; Peterborough MBC; **Peterborough 1979, 1987**

GREEN, Michael, b Enfield, 1967? ed Ramsgate, Kent, Leeds U, later Fontainebleau; joined Nat West Bank serving in Moscow and many other countries; later with Eurobank; Euro cand 2014; interests incl education; **St Albans 2005, Clacton 2010, Hertford & Stortford 2015**

GRIFFITHS, Dominic, grew up locally; sec s teacher; cllr North Hertfordshire DC; interests incl education; favours free meals for all primary school children, a health professional in every school; **Luton South & South Bedfordshire 2024**

GRIFFITHS, John C., b 1934, ed Uppingham, Cambridge U; worked for Thomson newspapers, BBC later Press Association, chair Squash Club Development co, public relations firm; Chair, NLYLs 1960-62; 1982-83 Party President, launching sweeping review of Party structures; 1986 fdr Arts Channel, ran Minerva Vision prod co; trustee of Asthma UK; author of several books on Afghanistan, Iceland, Squash; remembered for his energetic though abrasive style of campaigning; good speaking voice; Ludlow 1964 (West Midland Region), Wanstead & Woodford 1966(Greater London), **Bedford 1974 Feb, Oct**

GWIZDALA, Peter, b London 1960, of Polish background, ed City of London s, Salford U; long military career; activist in Ipswich; lives Woodbridge, ran property business; **Rochford & Southend East 2015, Rochford & Southend East 2017**

HACKER, Barbara, b 1946, ed Streatham Hill h s, Clapham, St Bartholomew's Hospital, London; radiographer; worked for Norwich Union 1983-95, estates division; cllr Norfolk CC dpty grp ldr, Norfolk Police Authority; **South Norfolk 1997**

HAIG, Ann, 30 years' service in social care, latterly professional administrator; cllr Essex CC, Epping Forest DC, East Ham 2005 (Greater London), **Epping Forest 2010**

HAIG, Frank Stanley, b 1903; dir of firm of brokers; fdr Westminster Chamber of Commerce; Chair, Finchley LA; deceased; **Hitchin 1950**

HAMES, Duncan John, b Hertfordshire 1977, ed Watford g s, Oxford U; officer students' union; acc with Deloitte; moved to Holt, Wiltshire; cllr West Wiltshire DC 2003-07; South West Regional Development Agency 2003; on election in 2010 became first Liberal MP for Chippenham for 86 years; PPS to Chris Huhne 2011-12, Nick Clegg 2012-15; m 2011 Jo Swinson MP qv (Scotland); currently Head of Policy (UK) Transparency International; Tottenham by-e 2000 (Greater London), **Watford 2001**, Westbury 2005, Chippenham 2010, 2015 (both Southwest Region); MP 2010-2015

HANCOCK, Peter, b 1929, ed Moseley g s, Birmingham, Birmingham U; dpty headmaster, counsellor, Open U; Suffolk CC; author of book on sailing experiences; **Lowestoft 1974 Feb, Oct**

HANNBECK, Dr Leyla, pharmacist; Chief Exec of Association of Independent Multiple Pharmacists 2019-; **Broadland & Fakenham 2024**

HARBEN, (Major) Henry Eric Southey, b Farnham 1900; ed RMC, Sandhurst; farmed in Africa, later barrister; service WW II; debut as Sussex CCC cricketer, aged 19; d Malta 1971; **Watford 1945**

HARMAN, Anna C. M., née Spicer, b 1918, ed North Foreland s, Villa St Monique, Paris, Oxford U, LSE; barrister/solicitor; mother of prominent Labour MP and Cabinet Minister, Harriet Harman; d 29/9/2018 aged 100; **Hertford 1964**

HARRIS, Nicholas, b 1942, ed Bedford Coll of HE; teacher; Rochford DC; **Rochford 1992**

HARRISON, Antonia, lives Portsmouth, previously absent working on continent for many years, with Euro Commission, Brussels; multi-linguist; long career as NHS therapist; joined Party 1990; steadfastly pro-Remain; **Basildon & Billericay 2017**

HARRISON, David George, b 1952, ed City of Norwich s; teacher/scientist North Norfolk DC; lives Aylsham, **Norwich North 1992**

HARVEY, Heather Joan, CBE, b 1899, ed Prior's Field, Godalming, Cambridge U; with Royal Inst of Int Affairs; writer, historical researcher; Jt Treasurer, LPO; d 1989; Esher 1950, 1951 (Southeast Region), **Southend West 1955, by-e 1959, 1959**

HAYDEN, Sidney, b West Ham, E. London 1901, son of Essex blacksmith; local builder and contractor; Chair, Laindon Chamber of Commerce; d 1973; **Billericay 1950**

HAYES, Josephine (Jo), b Colchester, ed/raised locally; barrister; held many Party offices; Chair, East of England Regional Party, Chair, WLD; Chair, Assn Women of Barristers; former borough cllr; Euro cand; denounced Euro Referendum campaign 2016 as 'fraudulent'; called for greater public investment across the board in public services; high profile campaigner; author of Party Assembly motions on Family Law, stalking, pensions etc; expelled from party 2022; **Witham 2015, 2017**

HAYES, Mark P., b 1956, ed Watford g s, Cambridge U; architect, regional manager of housing assn; Cambridge MBC, Chair, Party housing panel, Salvation Army Housing Assn; LPO Council; lay preacher United Reform Church; British Youth Council; LPO Council; **Saffron Walden 1987, 1992**

HEADLEY, Michael P., b 1967? lives Putnoe, Bedford; employed by local firm; joined Party as student; cllr Bedford MBC grp ldr, local campaigner; **Mid Bedfordshire 2001, 2005**

HEATHCOCK, Geoffrey Paul, b 1952, ed Liskeard Co sec; admin supervisor; Cambridge MBC; made Hon Ald after long and distinguished career as councillor; **Cambridge 1997**

HEAVENS, Dr Michael, psychiatrist; cllr Epping Forest DC, grp ldr, Chair 1998-99; many interests incl Chigwell Riding Trust for Special Needs; **Epping Forest 2001, 2005**

HEDGES, Hannah, b 1984, ed St George's s, Harpenden, LSE; party researcher; lives Harpenden; s one of the Party's youngest cands 2005, taking her final exams a fortnight after polling day; complained of elements of sexism in Party; interests incl transport, education; **Hitchin & Harpenden 2005**

HENCHLEY, John D. O. H., b 1934, ed Clifton Coll, sales manager; Rugby Union referee; Croydon North East 1966, Barnet 1970 (both Greater London), **South Hertfordshire 1974 Feb, Oct**

HENDERSON, Jean Mary, JP, b 1899, (daughter of John H. for 20 years Secretary of National Liberal Club); ed Hall s, later at the Quaker Mount s, York, London U; journalist, editor of journal of International Women's League, an anti-war organisation; part-time sec to cartoonist David Low; admitted to Inner Temple 1940, later head of chambers; served on five Industrial wages Councils; during WWII lectured to troops, served as air raid warden, Hampstead; addressed rally alongside Lady Astor, Dr Edith Summerskill in Trafalgar Square 1941 in protest at unequal treatment of women in compensation for injuries suffered in air raids; a Liberal of somewhat independent bent all her life; mbr Executive of LCA, a manager of the Gladstone Benevolent Fund for Liberal Agents; campaigner for, and later Chair, Hampstead Garden Suburb Protection Soc; unsuccessful cand Hendon LBC; bequeathed her voluminous political and legal papers to LSE library; d 1997; Barnet 1945 (Greater London), Lincoln 1950 (East Midlands), **Luton 1955**

HENNIKER-MAJOR, Lady Antoinette Lesley, née Foscett, b 1948, ed Elizabeth h s, South Australia, Australian National U; cllr Mid Suffolk DC, grp ldr, Chair of CC; Owner of Thornham Hall, Suffolk; **Central Suffolk 1992**

HERBERT, Aubrey, OBE, b 1905, son of Sir Jesse H, prominent Party figure pre 1914; ed Westminster s, Oxford U, Pres of Union; one time journalist; persevering candidate over four decades; LPO Chief agent in 1940s; failed to win his first election by handful of votes; in his second, fought in the highly charged atmosphere of 1931 crisis, he was hospitalised by a Conservative official who, crying "Treason !" rammed the point of an umbrella between two of his ribs; genial, humorous character with intriguing repertoire of political anecdotes which he recounted in a laid-back Leslie Phillips style drawl; he was re-adopted at Sudbury but resigned to take on Westmorland as a last minute choice; was confused on more than one occasion with A. P. Herbert MP; West Suffolk CC, Norfolk CC; m Ruth Crisp English qv; d 1981??; Chester 1929, 1931 (North West Region), Newcastle-upon-Tyne North 1950 (Northeast Region), **Sudbury & Woodbridge 1959, by-e 1963**, Westmorland 1964 (Northwest Region), Berwick-upon-Tweed 1966 (Northeast Region)

HEYLINGS, Phillippa Frances (Pippa), grew up in Hull, lived at Histon since 2012, runs her own advisory business for decision makers on environmental policies; concerned with inequality, climate change; cllr South Cambridgeshire DC 2018-24; in her first election she raised the Party share of the poll by 13.17%, in her second she achieved victory with a majority of 10,641 votes on a swing of 5.8%; LD Spokesperson for Energy Security & Net Zero 2024-, mbr Environmental Audit Cttee 2024-25; **South East Cambridgeshire 2019, South Cambridgeshire 2024; MP 2024-**

HIBBS, Mike A., b Cambridge 1954, ed Birmingham U, London Metropolitan U; practising architect; cllr Saffron Walden TC later Mayor; many interests; **Billericay 2005, Basildon & Billericay 2010, Saffron Walden 2015, 2017, 2019**

HIGGINSON, Simon S., ed Cambridge U; senior dvlpmnt cons; earlier on Plessey research staff; East Cambridgeshire DC, Cambridgeshire CC; **North West Norfolk 2005**

HILL, Tim J., joined Party from SDP; **Mid Bedfordshire 1997**

HILLS, Nick C., b 1950, ed Royal Liberty g s, Romford, Essex, North East London Poly; marketing cons; active with National Deaf Children's Society; **Mid Bedfordshire 1992**

HITCHCOCK, Margaret, gen sec and auxiliary organiser, National Fed of Women's Insts; deceased;
Sudbury 1945

HOLDER, Tom, b 1986? ed Oxford U, grad economics/politics; former teacher, now in science communications; **Castle Point 2017**

HOLLAND-LINDSAY, Emma Louise, b 1983; grew up in Bedfordshire; cllr Central Bedfordshire UA; charity worker; officer National Federation of Women's Institutes; **Mid Bedfordshire by-e 2023, Dunstable & Leighton Buzzard 2024**

HOLME, Rt Hon Richard Gordon, CBE, later Lord H. of Cheltenham, b London 1936, ed Royal Masonic s, Oxford U, Harvard Business School, National Service in Malaya; with Unilever, Penguin Books, later dir of Rio Tinto plc; joined party 1959; Pres LPO 1980-81; Life Peerage 1990, PC 2000; managed Simon Hughes's sensational by-election victory at Bermondsey, held many senior Party posts; acquired reputation as a supreme election strategist; became highly influential figure, close adviser to David Steel and Paddy Ashdown in turn during their leadership; strongly of the opinion the merger of the SDP and Liberals should have taken place before the General Election of 1987, under single leader, thus the opportunity to win more votes and seats was lost; supported Paddy's bid for the Party leadership for which he worked skilfully behind the scenes; Chair of Party Campaign at highly successful General Election of 1997; spokesman in Lords on many subjects; many interests incl Dir Electoral Reform Soc, Chair, Hansard Soc; under Blair government, member of innovative Labour/Liberal Democrat Cabinet Comm; resigned as Chair of Broadcasting Standards Commission after lurid revelations in *The News of the World* that he had been involved in serial adultery and bizarre sex games; he continued to make effective contributions to Lords debates until 2007; man of many talents who perhaps took on too many posts; might have risen to the very top of the business world had he so chosen; effective speaker on platform, TV and radio; an attractive personality, remembered for his witty one-liners e.g. "We can assume the Conservatives will be sending their previous General Election manifesto to Satchi & Satchi for a re-spray," and on the eve of a Brighton assembly when he observed the mighty Robin Day of the BBC alighting from a taxi, "Ah! Now we can start!" of an easy-going nature, approachable, suave, confident; his abilities would have made him an invaluable asset to the Party in the Commons; d of cancer 2008; East Grinstead 1964, by-e 1965 (Southeast Region), **Braintree 1974 Feb, Oct**; Cheltenham 1979, 1983, 1987 (Southwest Region); see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

HORNE, Jackie, b 1935, ed Queen Mary Coll, London U; management training cons on Euro community studies; Chelmsford MBC; formerly SDP for whom she contested Dagenham 1983 (Greater London) see SDP section; **Southend East 1992**

HOUSELEY, Andrew M., b 1962, ed Debden h s, Felixstowe, Lancaster U, Suffolk Coll; human resources man., later self-employed publisher, political organiser; lives Woodbridge, Euro cand for East of England 2009; **Central Suffolk & North Ipswich 2005**

HOWARD, Stuart, lives Radlett; Ch Acc; has worked in Europe, Asia, Usa; local parish cllr; governor of Church s; interests incl better dental services, argues that a cap be placed on donations to political parties, more investment in transport services; **Mid Norfolk 2024**

HOWARTH, David Ross, b Bloxwich, Staffordshire 1958, ed Queen Mary's g s, Walsall, Cambridge U; scholarship to Yale Law School; lect (Fellow of Clare Coll) at Cambridge U 1988-2005; cllr Cambridge City C 1987-2004, group ldr, ldr of Council 2000-03; Federal Exec, Federal Policy Comm; named as 'Backbencher of the Year 2006'; spokesman in Commons in turn on Local Government; Shadow Solicitor General, later Shadow Sec of State for Justice; not implicated in parliamentary expenses scandal; nominated by *The Guardian* to be included among 'The Angels' for commuting between Cambridge and London; he was the first to spot 'hidden' effects in the Legislation and Regulatory Reform Bill which he styled 'the Abolition of Parliament Bill, arguing for highly significant changes and amendments; mbr Friends of the Earth, Amnesty Int.; a Party nominee to serve on the Electoral Commission 2014; retired from Parliament to return to academic career; author with Bernard Greaves in 2018 of influential pamphlet *Towards A Liberal Future*; **Cambridge 1992, Peterborough 1997, Cambridge 2001, 2005, MP 2005-10**

HOWE, Jacky, worked at Westminster as lobbyist for Green Energy Bill; North Norfolk DC, Norfolk CC; fdr North Norfolk Housing Trust; **South Norfolk 2010, 2015, Waveney 2017**

HOWES, Monica, b 1938, ed Haberdashers' Aske's s, Johannesburg g h s, South Africa, Central London Poly; Westminster U; dir of international office at Open U; LPO exec; **Mid Bedfordshire 1983**, Ealing, Southall 1987 (Greater London), **St Albans 1992**, Aldridge-Brownhills 2001 (West Midlands Region)

HOWLETT, Richard Thomas, b 1893; poultry farmer for 30 years; managing dir/chair of local egg packing firm; mbr council of Poultry Farmers Assn; Newmarket RDC, Cambridgeshire CC; d 1975; **Cambridgeshire 1950**

HOWSON, Professor John Orrell, b London 1947, ed Tottenham County s, LSE, Oxford U, lived Oxfordshire since 1979; spent entire career in education, also lect to business owners; weekly columnist on education statistics, *Times ED Supp* for 11 years; broadcaster; Vice-Pres Magistrates Assn with 20 years' service as JP; joined Party 1966 spokesperson on education Oxfordshire CC; concerned at unfairness of women's retirement age rules; Vice-Pres Lib Dem Education Assn; **Castle Point 2019**

HOYER-MILLAR, Gurth C., b Chelsea 1929, ed Harrow s, Oxford U; from a distinguished Scottish family of Perthshire origin; Scottish rugby union international; cricket for University; military career 1950-58; attracted into Party late 1950s by the personality and progressive ideas of Jo Grimond; called to Bar, later businessman, chair, dir of many cos incl Homebase of which he was a co-founder; received a long obituary in *The Daily Telegraph*, d 2014; Kensington West 1959 (Greater London), **Southend West 1964, 1966**, Aberdeenshire East 1970 (Scotland), Eastbourne 1974 Oct (Southeast Region)

HOYLE, Bob, b Leeds 1956; parents were eminent academics; ed Merchant Taylors' s, Liverpool, Cambridge U, Oxford U, Brookes U, Inner Temple; academic lawyer; formerly Labour; cllr Oxford City C 1992-2002, dpty Mayor 2001-02; interested in mathematics, group relations; for Labour fought Hampshire East 1997 (South Central Region); d 13/3/2011; **Luton North 2001**; Bristol North West 2005 (Southwest Region)

HUGHES, (Capt) Thomas Peter, b Norfolk 1912, ed Oxford U; Ch Acc, farmer; service WW II; Hertfordshire CC from 1948; Hon Sec Lib Int; d 1981; **Hertford 1945, 1950**

HUGILL, James, b 1918, ed Nunthorpe g s, York; ind cons; Southend-on-Sea MBC, Mayor 1988-89; deceased; **Southend East 1979**

HUMPHREY, Leonard John, b 1884; at 1929, General Election dir LPO publicity; agriculturalist; worked in Dept of Agriculture for Ireland; during WW II worked in organisation of aircraft ind; co sec; Hon Sec Home Counties Liberal Fed; first Party cand in Bedford for 16 years; Ashford (Southeast Region) 1924, Wycombe (South Central Region) 1929; d 1961; **Bedford 1945, 1950**

HUNT, Jessie, b 1915, ed Southend h s, Royal Holloway Coll, London U, St Christopher's Coll, Blackheath; ind welfare chemist; **Chelmsford 1970**

HUPPERT, Dr Julian Leon b Cambridge 1978, ed Perse s, Cambridge U, PhD in Biological Chemistry; research fellow; cllr Cambridgeshire CC 2001-09. group leader 2004-07; vice-chair Federal Policy Comm 2010- ; Home Affairs Select Comm; believes Britain should scrap nuclear weapons; interests incl civil liberties, human rights; complained of being bullied in House after frequently rising to speak amidst cries of 'Oh! No!' and howls of derision from Tory benches; **Huntingdon 2005, Cambridge 2010, 2015, 2017; MP 2010-2015**

HURD, Jane, b 1949? lab technician; local cllr; **Welwyn Hatfield 1979**

HUSSAIN, Qurban, later Lord, b Kashmir 1956; in England since 1971, settled in Luton, active in Trade Union affairs; formerly Labour cllr Luton MBC; re-elected as Lib-Dem 2003; dpty ldr of council 2005-07; Life Peer 2011; withdrew from Party 2015 amidst a scandal involving his alleged smuggling into UK of a 2-year-old child; **Luton South 2005, 2010**

HYRYLAINEN-TRETT, Adrian, b Norwich 1979, of part Finnish extraction ed Eaton comp s, Norwich, Kent U; varied career as legal translator, later worked for Southwark LBC, local community worker, in Waltham Forest; currently Equalities Research asst for party at House of Lords; joined Party 2006; lives Vauxhall; cand GLA; prominent campaigner on LGBTQ+ matters; has continued to campaign against homophobia and speak on many sensitive issues; prominent in equal marriage campaign from 2010; contributor to *Lib Dem Voice*; Vauxhall 2015 (Greater London), **Ipswich 2017, 2019**

JACK, Linda, teacher trained; military service from age of 17 with Special Intelligence, later worked in local government service, active with UNISON; with Financial Services Authority; now foster carer, ind cons; local cllr, Euro cand; highly vocal with *Lib Dem Voice* on people smuggling etc; unsuccessful cand for Lib Dem Pres 2014; founder-mbr, Chair, Liberal Left; **Luton North 2005, Mid Bedfordshire 2010, 2015, Luton North 2019**

JACKS, William H., b 1915, ed Calcutta U, India, Edinburgh U, Oxford U; formerly with Indian Civil Service; teacher; deceased; **Maldon 1964, 1966**

JACKSON, Dr Jane, **Maldon & East Chelmsford 2001** probably same as following

JACKSON, Dr Jane M. b 1933, ed Presbyterian Ladies Coll, Western Australia, Wroxall Abbey, Warwickshire, Trinity Coll, Dublin, Oxford U, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine; public health physician; mbr party Health Panel, Party Health Assn; **Luton North 1992**, Walthamstow 1997 (Greater London)

JACOBS, David Anthony, later Lord J. of Belgravia, b 1931, of Jewish background; ed Clifton Coll, London U; businessman; chair successively of three major cos incl BSM; mbr Board of Governors, Haifa U; joined party 1972; became its economics and taxation adviser; worked closely with John Pardoe; 1984-87 LPO Joint Treasurer 1983-86; strove to bring Party to solvency; Kt 1988; after 1992 campaigned strongly for Party strategy to be based on target seats, 47 of which were won in 1997; Life Peerage 1997; active in Lords as speaker on Prices; resigned from Party 2011 over taxation policy; figured at 614 on *Sunday Times* Rich List; d 2014; **Watford 1974 Feb, Oct** see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

JAKOBI, Stephen Ronald, b 1935, ed Malvern Coll, Swansea Coll of T'ology, Cambridge U; former trial lawyer, active with London Solicitors Litigation Assn; joined Liberals 1956; relentless campaigner over twenty years for Party, fighting eight elections; prominent figure for many years in Fair Trials Abroad Group, notably Karyn Smith-Patricia Cahill (Thailand) case; LPO Council; Battersea North 1964, Cities of London & Westminster by-e 1965 (both Greater London), Windsor 1966 (South Central Region), **Cambridgeshire 1974 Feb, Oct, 1979**, Sevenoaks 1983, 1987 (Southeast Region)

JAMES, Sir Frederick Ernest, OBE, b 1891; gen sec YMCA, India 1914-18, political advisor British Interests, South India 1928-41, Bengal Legislative Council 1924-28; mbr India Legislative Assembly 1932-45; d 1971; **Sudbury & Woodbridge 1950**

JAMIESON-BALL, Rhodri, b 1980? Cllr Islington LBC; in 2015 he polled 1.3%, 644 votes, one of the lowest Party tallies but in a constituency where it has attained barely 10% at the best of times; Islington North 2010 (Greater London), **Thurrock 2015**

JARRETT, John W. S., b 1924, ed Westminster City s, Cambridge U; dpty dir British Epilepsy Assn; **South West Hertfordshire 1970, 1974, Feb, Oct**

JARVIS, Steve, b 1956, ed Francis Bacon s, St Albans, Hatfield Poly; product marketing manager in telecoms; joined Party 1979; cllr North Hertfordshire DC dpty grp ldr, mbr CPRE; Chair, English Council, Fed Exec; **North East Hertfordshire 1997**, South Holland & The Deepings 2005 (East Midlands), **Braintree 2010**

JEBB, Phillip Vincent Belloc, b 1927, ed Downside s, Cambridge U; grandson of writer Hilaire Belloc (Liberal MP 1906-10), ed Downside Abbey, Cambridge U; distinguished architect; designed enlargement of Audley House 1967-70 to three times its original size; worked on projects in Andalucia, at Chartwell for the National Trust etc; last minute adoption as opponent of former Liberal Sir Frank Medlicott, who was standing as a National Liberal & Conservative; d 1995; **Central Norfolk 1950**

JONES, Arnold H., b Liverpool 1888, of Quaker background; spent most of life in Far East, latterly as chief manager of Thai Government Bank, Bangkok; lived Norfolk from 1938; Chair, North Norfolk L A; first Liberal cand locally for 20 years; deceased; **North Norfolk 1950**

JONES, Alexandra, b 1960, ed Old Place g g s, Croydon, Oxford U, Pres Oxford Union Soc; Harvard U, London U; sen exec, int dvlpmnt assistance, management cons; various senior appointments abroad; mbr Charter 88; active with Kensington LDA; **Suffolk Coastal 1997**

JONES, Colin, b 1945, ed Southend; teacher of people with intellectual disabilities; **Brentwood & Ongar 1979**

JONES, Graham, b 1943; chief auditor of a district council; later marketing exec with SKY; left Party 2012 claiming disillusionment with politics; colleagues described him as having maverick opinions; **Bury St Edmunds 1979, Norwich North 1983**

JONES, Thomas Grenville, or GRENVILLE-JONES T., b 1923, ed Llandridnod Wells, Tonbridge s, Cambridge U; Pres of U Liberal Club 1949; service WW II as RAF wireless operator, air gunner; journalist later political cons with own co from 1960, External Development Services; one-time associate/business partner of former Party Leader Jeremy Thorpe; despite his encouraging result at Leominster the local Party declined to readopt him; said to have charm and a saucy wit, it is likely the staid local membership did not approve of his life style; later defected to Labour; d 2000; **Isle of Ely 1950**, Leominster 1959 (West Midlands), Tavistock 1964 (Devon & Cornwall Region)

JONES, W. A. Newton, (or W.H) b 1887, chair/managing dir export business, having started as office boy; mbr Inst of Export, active with London Chamber of Commerce; co-opted to Barnet MBC during WW II; deceased; **St Albans 1959**

JORDAN, Joe, ed Cambridge U, Imperial Coll, London U; scientist, software eng; lives Royston; joined party at 18, formerly active with Haringey LDA; interested in green issues, advocate of Digital Bill of Rights; **North East Hertfordshire 2015, Hertsmere 2017**

JOSEPHY, Frances Louise, b Broughty Ferry, Dundee, Fife 1900, ed Seymour Lodge s, Dundee, St Andrews U, Cambridge U.; joined NYL 1924 in which she was active into the 1930s; journalist and secretary; lect to troops WW II; fought London CC elections 1920s; identified with radical wing of party; became research secretary to Parliamentary Radical Group which opposed Lloyd-George brand of Liberalism; European Federal Union Exec 1941-1961; E U of Federalists, European Movement etc advocate of global federation; life-long campaigner for Party; stalwart attender of Liberal Summer School; tall and austere in appearance, a strong personality, formidable debater/public speaker with slightly booming voice; rather forbidding on first meeting though essentially friendly and very communicative; she figures in the booklet *Mothers of Liberty* pub 2012 Lib Dem History Group; she donated her voluminous archives of correspondence and extensive collection of papers etc to LSE; d Hampstead 1985; Winchester 1929, Basingstoke 1931, Devizes 1935, 1945 (all Southwest Region), **Cambridge 1950, 1951**

JOYCE, James Michael, lived Norfolk since 2000; runs sub post office; Broadlands DC, Norfolk CC; served on Norfolk Police Authority; cand for PCC 2012; **Great Yarmouth 2015, 2017, 2019**

KEELING, Preston, b 1945, ed Aldersbrook sec mod, Cambridge U; voluntary services organiser; Vice Chair, Eastern Regional Party; LPO Exec, former ldr local government dept, LPO; **Ipswich 1979**

KIESEL, Matthew, of Polish background; **Braintree 2015**

KELLOCK, Thomas Oslaf, QC, b 1923, ed Rugby, Cambridge U; WWII service in navy; barrister from 1949; served in Dingle Foot's qv chambers; QC 1965; later judge in Nottingham; a passionate and outspoken opponent of racism in South Africa; Chair British Anti-Apartheid Group, he courageously visited South Africa in the mounting tension following the Rivona trials; his excellent voice and dignified appearance impressed LPO Council meetings among many other gatherings; he defended in court many leaders of emergent British colonial territories in the immediate pre-independence period; helped draft a decree for UN on independence of Namibia; after 1968 his legal duties kept him from active politics; ret 1991; re-entered politics as chair of British Group of Lib Int; was concerned to regenerate Liberalism in South Africa; d 1993; an obituary in *The Independent* described him as 'a genial personality of transparent genuineness'; a larger-than-life character deserving of a comprehensive biographical study; Torquay 1959 (Devon & Cornwall Region), Kensington South 1966, by-e 1968 (Greater London), **Harwich 1974 Oct**

KEMP, Richard, b 1943, ed locally; dir of trading and property cos; Babergh DC; Suffolk CC; lives Sudbury; **South Suffolk 1983**

KEMSLEY, Patrick b 1932, ed Marlborough, Royal Agricultural Coll, Cirencester; farmer, dir of farming cos; **Eye 1979**

KENDALL, David John, b 1960; runs small business; long-serving cllr Brentwood BC grp ldr; Essex CC; **Brentwood & Ongar 2001, 2010, 2015, 2019, 2024**

KINDERSLEY, Sebastian, lives locally; runs market intelligence co in finance sector; South Cambridgeshire DC; interests incl planning, housing, transport; **South Cambridgeshire 2010, 2015**

KINGMAN, Alison Elaine, North Hertfordshire DC, Royston TC; **North East Hertfordshire 2001**

KITCHING, David Monro, b 1926, ed University College s, Hampstead, Oxford U; diplomat, sen civil servant, later charity administrator; **Epping Forest 1979**

KNIGHT, James Stewart, b Barnet 1909, ed Christ's Coll, Finchley, LSE (where he was a pupil of Sir William, later Lord Beveridge) economist/ind acc; Ass of Inst of Cost and Works Accs; d 1996; **South Bedfordshire 1950**

KNOTT, Joan Ruby, b 1921, ed Glendale g s, London; LPO exec; deceased; **Yarmouth 1970, Ipswich 1974 Feb**

KNOWLES, Evelyn, b 1931, ed Coborn g g s, Ealing Coll of HE; community centre dir; cllr Cambridgeshire CC, dpty grp ldr; Cambridge City C, dpty grp ldr; appt Hon Cllr after 16 years' service, Mayor 2000-01; interests incl environment, health, women's advancement; **North West Norfolk 1997**

KORFANTY, Helen, b Sheffield, ed Swansea U, later qualified as solicitor, finally retiring as sen partner of legal firm; strong advocate of legal aid facility, access to justice for all; joined Party 2014; her many interests incl housing provision, environment, social care/NHS; **Bury St Edmunds 2017, Waveney 2019**

LAKEMAN, Enid, OBE, b Tonbridge 1903, of suffragette forebears; ed Bedford Coll, London U; graduate in ind chemistry; WW II in WAAFs ; indefatigable campaigner in Liberal cause; LPO Council 1960s; authoritative writer on voting systems; showed inexhaustible energy as leading figure in Electoral Reform Society, Dir 1960-80; the scourge of any editor, correspondent or columnist who dared to take her subject in vain; devoted advocate of STV system; played a key role in persuading Republic of Eire to adopt STV; consulted by emergent democracies and newly established ex-colonial nations; though of seemingly frail appearance, possessed strong platform voice; humanist, feminist, internationalist, author of now standard work *How Democracies Vote* (1974), cllr Tunbridge Wells BC 1962-65; she is included in *Mothers of Liberty* (Lib Dem History Group, 2012); the library at the Electoral Reform Society is named after her; at her first election she was one of only three ex-servicewomen cands in UK; d Tunbridge Wells 1995; **St Albans 1945**, Brixton 1950 (Greater London), Aldershot 1955, 1959 (South Central Region)

LAMB, Rt Hon Sir Norman Peter, Kt, PC, b Watford 1957, ed Wyomondham Coll, Leicester U, City of London Poly; solicitor; originally Labour, joined SDP c1981, later Lib Dem from 1988; cllr Norwich City C 1982-86, 1987-91, group leader; in Commons dpty spokesman International Development, Treasury 2002-03, PPS to Charles Kennedy 2003-05, Shadow Trade & Industry Secretary 2005-06, Health 2006-10, Chief of Staff to Ming Campbell 2006; interests include Africa; in Coalition 2010-15 Government Whip, chief Parliamentary and Political Adviser to the Deputy Prime Minister; Under-Sec State Employment Relations & Postal Affairs Feb-Sep 2012, as Minister of State at Ministry of Health 2012-15, promoted the cause of mental health provision, achieving considerable success; Chair, London & Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust 2019-25; defeated in Party Leadership election July 16 2015 by Tim Farron qv (Northwest Region); greatly respected in Commons and throughout Party; 2017 Chair of Commons Science and Technology Select Comm; suffered ill health in later years at Westminster; Knighted 2019, Privy Counsellor 2014; believed to have severed connection with Party; **North Norfolk 1992, 1997, 2001 2005, 2010, 2015, 2017; MP 2001-19**

LAMBERT, Matthew M., **Maldon & East Chelmsford 2005**

LAND, Martin, local activist/organiser; **Huntingdon 2010**

LANHAM, Hugh, raised North Essex, lives Docking; Ch Acc; North Norfolk DC; **North West Norfolk 2015, Norwich North 2017**

LATHAN, John, local activist; **Thurrock 2001**

LAW, (Capt) Douglas B., service WW II in North Africa, Sicily; first Party cand locally for 16 years; deceased; **Woodbridge 1945**

LEE, Dr Anne, raised Brentwood, ed U of Strasbourg; lect U of Surrey; education adviser; **South Norfolk 2001**, Woking 2005 (Southeast Region)

LEEKE, Maurice L., b 1952, ed Cambridgeshire b h s; financial acc; Cambridge CC; dir Peterborough Development Agency from 1988; **North East Cambridgeshire 1992, Great Yarmouth 2001**

LENNON, Janice V., b 1948, ed Putney h s, U of Nottingham, Cambridge U; teacher; Bedfordshire CC, North Bedfordshire DC; **North Bedfordshire 1987**

LEWIN, Andrew, b 1987? raised in Hertford; defected to Labour 2011 over students' fees issue; one of youngest Lib Dem cand; **Hertford & Stortford 2010**

LEWIS, Neville S., b 1935, ed Badingham Coll, London U, lands officer/valuer for CEGB; **Ipswich 1970, Sudbury 1974 Feb, Oct**

LEWIS, His Honour Peter Edwin, b 1912, of Jewish background, ed Malvern, UC, London U; Oxford U? called to Bar 1937; with RAF Intelligence during WW II; later judge South Eastern Circuit; d 1976; **Epping 1950**

LIDDELL, Roger John, now Lord L. of Carlisle, b Carlisle 1947, ed Carlisle g s, Oxford U; managing dir public affairs cons; adviser to William Rodgers MP, Labour Minister of Transport from 1976; SDP from 1981 see SDP section (Greater London), serving on national comm and policy comm; on merger joined Lib Dems, serving on Federal Policy Comm; Oxford MBC, dpty ldr, Lambeth LBC Alliance grp ldr; later Cumbria CC; dir of Public Policy Centre; man dir Prima Europa Ltd, a cons co; rejoined Labour; adviser to Prime Minister Tony Blair on European matters; later principal adviser to President of Euro Commission; author of books/articles on European subjects; later Chair of 'think tank' Policy Network; raised to Peerage 2010, Labour Whip; **North Hertfordshire 1992**

LINDSLEY, Patricia, b 1940, ed Peckham g h s, Oxford Brookes U; solicitor; Chiltern DC, Chesham TC, Buckinghamshire CC; interests incl Green Lib Dems; **Hemel Hempstead 1997**

LINFOOT, Peter M. b 1929, ed Gosfield s, LSE; journalist; LPO Council; Colchester MBC; mentioned in *The Liberal Party and the Economy* (Peter Sloman, 2015) as being involved with Dr Roy Douglas qv (Greater London) in devising mainstream Party economic policy in opposition to classical Liberals and the fringe group of Oliver Smedley qv; **Colchester 1959**

LONGHURST, W. Peter, b 1937, ed Odiham g s, Winchester Coll, Oxford U; eng/physicist; first Party cand locally for 19 years; **Chelmsford 1964, 1966**

LONGLEY, Graham Edwin, b 1948; teacher, milkman, Southend Airport worker; long-serving grp ldr Southend MBC, Mayor; cabinet mbr economic regeneration; saved city's iconic Kursaal from risk of demolition; d 2022; **Rochford & Southend East 2005, 2010**

LORBER, Paul, b Bratislava (then in Czechoslovakia now Slovakia) 1955; fled to UK after Russian invasion; lived Brent, London from 1969; ed Kilburn sen h s, Manchester U; cllr Brent LBC 32 years, council ldr 2006-10; campaigns for better provision for refugees; interests incl provision of better training, apprenticeships, emphasis on early years of education; persevering campaigner; Brent North 1992, 1997, 2001 (Greater London), **Broadland 2005**, Brent North 2015, 2017, 2019, Brent West 2024 (both Greater London)

LUCAS, Chris, of Caribbean background; law graduate, U of Middlesex; dir of media cos, media cons; Three Rivers DC, Hertfordshire; lect in FE; mbr anti-slavery groups, ERS, Shelter; interest incl green agenda, civil liberties, economy, housing, transport; Ealing North 2010 (Greater London), Bristol East 2017 (Southwest Region), **Hertford & Stortford 2019, Hitchin 2024**

LUCAS, James, **Hertford & Stortford 2005**

LYNNE, Elizabeth (Liz), b Woking 1948, ed Dorking g s; former actor 1966-89; made appearances in *The Mousetrap* on London stage, speech cons; worked for BBC; chosen to succeed Sir Cyril Smith when he retired in 1992, she held the industrial constituency comfortably and acquitted herself well in the Commons, using her forceful voice to great effect; attended her first YL meeting aged eleven, joined Party 1981; in Commons spokesperson successively for Health, Social Security, Disabilities, Community Care; chaired several inter-party groups; later Euro MEP for West Midlands 1999-2012; showed a flair for publicity; during a French-imposed ban on imports of British meat, she flew to France carrying a carcase on her lap; diligent in her work for the West Midlands, speaking up for industry, British exports, women's issues, disabled people, human rights etc; according to the 'think tank' Open Europe for ability and performance she was ranked 35th of 789 MEPs, 9th of 78 UK MEPs; cand West Midlands Euro-Elections 1999, 2004, 2009; she was widely liked and admired in the region for her energy, ubiquity and affable approachability; on her resignation it was hoped she would continue her career in the Lords, representing the West Midlands, but she was inexplicably passed over for a peerage; unsuccessful in election for Pres of LPO 2014; remains a prominent figure in Party; Trustee of National Asthma Campaign, mbr Amnesty Int; **Harwich & North Essex 1987**, Rochdale 1992, 1997 (Northwest Region); MP 1992-97

MABBUT, Graham Arthur George; b 1941, ed Moulton sec mod s, Oxford U; dir of Sustainable Transport; originally SDP, active with Milton Keynes LDA; Bedford & Milton Keynes Waterways Trust; Milton Keynes MBC, lives Olney; interests incl public transport, community politics; Northampton South 1992 (East Midlands Region), Milton Keynes North East 1997 (South Central Region), **Mid Bedfordshire 2001**

MacCALLUM-SCOTT, (Major) John Hutchison, b 1911, son of Alexander MacC. S. (1874-1928 Liberal MP for Glasgow, Bridgetown 1910-22, who later joined Labour); WW II service on staff of General Sir Bernard Montgomery; barrister, author of travel books; said to have been mbr of Liberal 'Shadow Cabinet'; first Sec-General Liberal International 1946; deceased; Leeds North 1945 (Yorkshire Region), **Southend West 1950**

McCOY, Barbara, b 1947, ed Toothill sec mod, Nottingham, Bedford New Coll, London; FE lect; **North West Cambridgeshire 1997**

MACDONALD, Peter, co dir; cllr South Cambridgeshire DC; Cabinet mbr for Economic Development; his interests incl health, environment, housing and crime; **Bury St Edmunds & Stowmarket 2024**

McGANN, Rachael, **Mid Bedfordshire 2019**

MACK, Dr Ian J., local g p; cllr West Norfolk DC grp ldr; King's Lynn MBC; **North West Norfolk 2001**, **South Norfolk 2005**

McKIE, Derek A., b 1935, ed St Julian's h s; Newport, Nottingham U; teacher; vice-Pres East Midlands Regional Fed., Chesterfield 1964 (East Midland Region), **Epping 1966**

MACKINTOSH, Peter, b 1925? ed Cambridge U; teacher; contested local government elections; **Norwich South 1979**

McNAMARA, Kevin, born/raised Essex; ed Kent U; lives Thurrock; joined Lib Dems 2010; cand for PFCC 2016; interests incl mental health care, social justice; re-selected for Thurrock for the 2019 election, he resigned after being accused of posting racist and homophobic tweets 10 years before; Ealing North 2015 (Greater London), **Thurrock 2017**

MANNAN, Riad, joined party 2019; lives Stevenage; has fought local elections; is concerned about local health services, sewage disposal; **Harlow 2024**

MARSH, John, b 1944, ed sec mod s, Beeston Tech Coll, RAF tech courses; runs own food packaging, eng businesses; King's Lynn and West Norfolk DC; **South West Norfolk 1992**

MARTELL, Ewart Kenneth, b Luton 1910, brother of Edward Martell qv (Greater London); ed Bedford s; RAF service WWII; solicitor, partner London firm; mbr Exec Home Counties Lib Fed, LPO Exec; Bedfordshire CC; d 2000; **Mid Bedfordshire 1945, 1950**

MARTINS, Rabi, b Goa, India; prominent member of Goan community in UK; briefly Labour then joined SDP; Watford MBC 2012- LPO Fed Exec; recently appointed as advisor to Party Leadership on race-equality matters; JP; Hornchurch 1992, Regents Park & Kensington North 2005 (both Greater London), **Luton South 2010, Hemel Hempstead 2015, Luton North 2017**

MARTLEW, Robin Barry, Cambridgeshire CC; **West Suffolk 2001**

MATANLE, Emma, has worked as researcher for BBC World News and UN agencies mbr Royal Inst for International Affairs; Sopwell DC; joined Lib Dems after Referendum, Amnesty Int; UNA; **South West Bedfordshire 2019, Hertsmere 2024**

MATTHEWS, Wilfred George, b Biggleswade 1911, ed elem s; business exec; RAF service WWII; Alderman, Bedfordshire CC; Home Counties Regional Exec; d 1977; **Luton 1950, Mid Bedfordshire 1959, by-e 1960, 1964**

MELLINGS, John Malcolm, b 1934, ed Bootham s, York; ret nursing administrator; Chair Scottish party Transport comm; interests incl European Movement, Charter 88; there was an interval of 23 years between his 2nd and 3rd contests; lives Inverness; **Hertford 1970**, Edinburgh East 1974 Feb (Scotland), Beverley & Holderness 1997 (Yorkshire Region)

MEYER, Percy W., b Berne, Switzerland 1925, ed The Hall s, Hampstead, Ardingly Coll; co exec; active with YLs; Finchley LBC 1962-65; in his second contest he raised the Party share of the vote against the trend in an otherwise disappointing year; cand in numerous local elections; Hornsey 1966 (Greater London), Surrey East 1970 (Southeast Region), **Mid Bedfordshire 1974 Feb, Oct**, Beaconsfield 1979 (South Central Region)

MICKLEBURGH, Brett Alistair, b Ipswich; cllr Huntingdonshire DC; career in technology, working across many sectors of industry; local community activist, volunteer with food bank; would like to see more power in the hands of people; **Central Suffolk & North Ipswich 2024**

MIDDLETON, George Christopher, b 1895, London stockbroker; Methodist lay preacher from age of 17; officer St Albans L A; deceased; **South West Hertfordshire 1950**

MIERNIK, Pat, b 1950, ed Notre Dame g s, Manchester, Hollings Coll, Manchester; fashion designer; **Ipswich 1983**

MILLER, Keith, b Cornwall, ed Queen Mary Coll, London U; later grad in Psychology, Goldsmith's Coll; active with Party in South London; for 30 years a medical rep, later selling home improvements interests incl defence matters; as a sufferer from recurrent depressive illness, he is deeply interested in mental health issues; seeks to lift the stigma of ignorance of the subject; a last-minute adoption in 2015 he was viciously attacked in the local press who referred to him as a 'tissue paper' cand; Stafford 2015 (West Midland Region), Tonbridge 2017 (Southeast Region), **Rochford & Southend East 2019**

MINETT, Eric, b 1932, ed Great Yarmouth g s, Open U; principal lect; Great Yarmouth MBC; **Yarmouth 1979, Great Yarmouth 1983**

MOLE, Stuart Gordon, b 1949, ed St Paul's Cathedral s, St John's s, Leatherhead; U of Nottingham, Oxford, and London U; lect in government and politics; Chelmsford MBC, chair; Parliamentary party press officer 1975-77, Head, Leader of Party's office 1980-83; relentless campaigner over five elections, in 1983 coming within 378 votes, 0.6% of victory; long involvement with Commonwealth organisations; Sen Res Fellow, Institute of Commonwealth Studies, London U, Commonwealth Political Studies Unit; Dir Gen, Royal Commonwealth Society, 2000-09, Chair, Commonwealth Journal of International Affairs, worked for Secretary General, Commonwealth Secretariat 1984-2000; subsequently moved to Exeter; there was an interval of 28 years before his 5th and 6th contests; **Chelmsford 1974 Feb, Oct, 1979, 1983, 1987**, East Devon 2015 (Devon & Cornwall Region)

MONK, Peter D., b 1945; fire office with Essex CC; **Suffolk Coastal 1992**

MONTGOMERIE, Ronald, b 1929, ed Rutherglen Acad, Glasgow, John Lyon s, Harrow, U Coll, London; solicitor; Liberal Lawyers Assn; Harrow MBC; Harrow Central 1974 Feb, Oct (Greater London), **Colchester North 1983**

MOORE, Frank P. D., b 1928, ed Chafyn Grove s, Salisbury, Wellington Coll; agricultural eng; tenacious candidate contesting the same constituency at six successive elections in ten years; **Saffron Walden 1964, by-e 1965, 1966, 1970, 1974, Feb, Oct**

MOORE, Philip b 1948, ed Boston g s, Peterborough Tech Coll; local government officer; **Norwich North 1979**

MOORE, Richard Gillachrist, b 1931, ed Highfield s, Liphook, Cambridge U, Pres U, Pres Liberal Club 1953; joined Liberals 1951; journalist with *News Chronicle* to 1960; Sec Gen Liberal Int 1961-64; adviser to Liberal Group, Euro Parliament 1979-96; Euro cand 1984; gifted with distinctive, powerful voice, heard to great advantage at numerous Party Assemblies over five decades, rallies etc; master of epigram and choice of epithet; advocated that 'a politician should proceed with high tact and low cunning;' twice bravely confronted the dreaded Rev Ian Paisley on his home Ulster territory; relentless, zealous campaigner fighting eight elections over twenty years; at Norfolk North in 1974 he was the first party cand for 24 years, polling 23.8%; remained a highly significant figure in Party, and an authoritative speaker on Europe, foreign affairs, voting reform etc; author of definitive article on STV in *The Independent*, Nov 2013; d 2019; Tavistock 1955, 1959 (Devon & Cornwall Region, **by-e**

Cambridgeshire 1961, 1964, North Antrim 1966, 1970 (Northern Ireland), **North Norfolk 1974 Feb, Oct**

MORAN, James C., b 1916, ed Dame Alice Owen's s, Clerkenwell; deceased; **Thurrock 1966**

MORGAN, (Lt Cdr) Eric W., b 1910, ed Selhurst g s, Royal Naval Coll, Greenwich, Oxford U; barrister; service WW II; mbr of research team on guided missiles; deceased; **East Hertfordshire 1964, 1966**

MORRIS, Anthony Frankland Crowley, **South East Essex 1974 Oct**

MORRIS, Peter, career in valuations, land management; lives South Lincolnshire; has worked in France, Poland; cand for local police/crime commissioner; interests incl NHS, local transport; **North East Bedfordshire 2015**

MOSS-ECCARDT, Rupert, ed Downham Market s, Cambridge U; Norfolk CC; **South West Norfolk 2015, North West Norfolk 2017, North East Cambridgeshire 2019**

MOTT, Stewart Adrian, studied politics at university; a pension officer for a trade union; Wickford TC; fought elections Basildon BC; interests incl NHS, sewage crisis, need for extra spending on education; **Rayleigh & Wickford 2024**

MOWAT, (Major) Duncan Mackay Stormont, b 1904; barrister; with legal division of Control Commission for Occupied Germany; first Liberal cand locally for 16 years; d 1984; **Ipswich 1945**

MUNRO, John, ed Bournville s, Weston Sixth Form Coll, Wyvern s, Keele U; works in career promotion in retail trade; joined party 1997; Weston-super-Mare 2015 (South West Region), **Welwyn Hatfield 2024**

MUNT, Tessa Jane, b Surrey 1959, of a family with distant Jewish forebears; ed convent, Sutton h s, ind s, college; with London Law firm, later sales and mark, personnel; briefly Labour, joined Lib Dems 1999; dpty Chair PCA 2002-09; supporter of unilateral nuclear disarmament; Party Whip in Commons; PPS to Vince Cable 2012-15; mbr Administration Select Cttee 2010-15, 2024-, Education Select Cttee 2010-12, Justice Select Cttee 2024-; cllr Somerset CC 2017-, Cabinet mbr Children, Family and Education; **South Suffolk 2001, Ipswich by-e 2001**, Wells 2005, 2010, 2015, 2019, Wells & Mendip Hills 2024 (Southwest Region); MP 2010-2015, 2024-

MURPHY, John Charles, **Hitchin & Harpenden 2001**

MYNOTT, Michael, b 1930? managing dir men's and ladies' fashion business; **North West Norfolk 1979**

NASH, Andrew, b 1953, ed Haberdashers' Aske's s, Elstree, Cambridge U, lect, social worker; **North East Cambridgeshire 1997**

NASH, Keith, b 1942, ed Judd s, Tonbridge, St Andrew's U; Ch Patent Agent; first Party cand locally for 24 years; **South West Norfolk 1974 Feb**

NASH, Lisa, lives Stevenage; single parent; midwife, lecturer on midwifery; has been a police 'special', St John's ambulance volunteer; North Hertfordshire DC; interested in the environment, proper funding of NHS, investment in education; **Stevenage 2019, 2024**

NEAL, Jon, raised locally ed Kesgrave h s, Hull U; dir agricultural comms agency; cllr East Riding Yorkshire UA; subsequently retired to live at Woodbridge 2013; persistent campaigner; interests include mental health provision; Haltemprice & Howden 2001, 2005, 2010 (Yorkshire Region), **Central Suffolk & North Ipswich 2015**

NEILSON, Margaret, b 1918, ed Queen Elizabeth s, Kirkby Lonsdale; co dir in retail trade; deceased; Twickenham 1955 (Greater London), **Hemel Hempstead 1959, Watford 1964**

NETHSINGHA, Lucy Kathleen, née Sellwood; b Southampton 1973, ed Penair s; Southampton U, Cambridge U; teacher; cllr Gloucester City C 2004-08; Cambridgeshire CC group ldr 2016-, council ldr 2021-; Cambridge City C 2016-, MEP East of England 2019-20; former NHS employee, interested in children with special needs; **North East Cambridgeshire 2015, Cambridgeshire South East 2017**

NEWBOUND, Kathryn, b 1949, ed Rochester g g s, Bulmershe Coll of ed, Open U; teacher; Windsor & Maidenhead MBC; **Luton North 1997**

NEWBY, Donald J., b 1916, ed Sir Jon Leman's g s, Beccles; journalist; vice-chair Liberal Publications; fdr *New Outlook*; mbr Liberal Writers' Assn; Halesworth UDC; wielded influence in LPO HQ circles for brief period, early 1960s; Chair, Orpington LDA over same period; involved with Arthur Holt MP at Liberal Publications Dept on successive editions of Liberal Policy booklets, *Penny Liberal* etc; deceased; **Eye 1964, 1966**

NEWMAN, David, b 1969; career in financial services; Guildford MBC, lived Woking; moved to Liverpool; joined Party 1985; Surrey Heath 1997 (Southeast Region), **Mid Norfolk 2010, Bootle 2015** (Northwest Region)

NEWTON, Stephen C.; life-long career with investment co; Baptist; former chair of local community and railway travellers associations; active with Southend MBC, Essex; later moved to Earley, Berkshire; now serves on Wokingham BC ; foster carer; **Rochford & Southend East 2001, Great Yarmouth 2005**

NICHOLLS, Derek C., b 1939, ed Helston g s, Cambridge U; lect in land economy; **South West Cambridgeshire 1983, 1987**

NICHOLLS, T. Paul, b 1953, ed Cheltenham Coll, Brunel U, Pres Students' U; barrister; LPO Council legal officer to Commission for Race Equality; **Norwich North 1987**

NICHOLSON, Hugh P., b 1941, ed Northampton Town & City g s; Ch Acc/pension fund manager, ICI; mbr working party on tax/benefits; formerly SDP see SDP section; Northampton BC, Redbridge LBC; **Chelmsford 1992**

NORTH, Sam, has had varied career incl police officer; now runs own business; local cllr; styles himself 'an ambitious reformer;' **Witham 2019**

NORTON, Daniel, Lancashire born, raised in Preston; ed Cambridge U; travelled world with his father; career in energy ind; ldr of pro-Europe campaign in Bedford; interests incl education; **South West Bedfordshire 2017, North East Bedfordshire 2019**

NORTON, Walter Ernest, b 1919, ed Realgymnasium, Mannheim, Germany, Skerry's Coll, Glasgow; dir of int machine tool cos; Inst of Directors, Pres Assn of Machine Tool Merchants; deceased; **Bedford 1964**

NOYCE, Christopher D., ed Harrow Co g s, Oxford U, Coll of Law, Guildford; solicitor, persistent campaigner; long serving cllr Harrow LBC; Euro cand 1989, Harrow West (Greater London) 1992, **Bedford 1997**, Harrow West 2001, 2005, 2010 (Greater London)

OATEN, Mark, b Watford 1964, ed Queen's s, Bushey, Hatfield Poly; former ldr SDP group, cllr Watford MBC; joined Party on merger 1988; worked as lobbyist at Westminster for political affairs cos; his first victory by a two-vote majority was challenged in High Court by his opponent, on the technicality of a handful of unfranked ballot papers being a crucial factor; he resigned, unnecessarily in the opinion of some, triumphing in the subsequent by-e by an enormous majority; in Commons was Home Affairs spokesperson from 2003, championing rights of asylum seekers, the disabled, civil liberties; voted against Fox Hunting Bill; mbr of board of Liberal Future 'think tank'; his alleged authorship of a chapter in *The Orange Book; Reclaiming Liberalism* (2004) is disputed not least by Mark O. himself; aspirant to Party Leadership 2006 until overtaken by events; complications in his personal life and lurid tabloid revelations involving him and a rent boy led to his early retirement from parliament and the end of a promising career; later became exec of Fur Trade Fed; reported to have resigned from the Party c2018 but later rejoined; part autobiography *Screwing Up; How One MP Survived Political Scandal and Turning Forty* (2009); in his first contest at Winchester he faced the notorious Richard Huggett, standing as 'Liberal Democrat Top Choice for Parliament' who polled 640 votes, 1%; **Watford 1992**; Winchester 1997, by-e 1997, 2001, 2005 (South Central Region); **MP 1997-2010**

O'CONNELL, Zoe, b Essex, raised Burnham-on-Crouch, ed school in Chelmsford, Brunel U; originally in computing, five years army reserve; opposed 'Snoopers' Charter' worked on equalities, transgender issues; **Maldon 2015, 2017**

O'LOUGHLIN, Dr Michael W. B., b 1923, ed Marlborough Coll, Cambridge U; research eng, tech coll lect; fdr mbr British Epilepsy Assn; LPO Exec, Council; **Cambridge 1964, 1966, Huntingdon 1970, Cambridge 1974 Feb, Oct, by-e 1976**

OWEN, Matthew, b 1968, ed Chelsea Coll of science & Tech, Bedford Coll, London; botanist, environmentalist, TV journalist; special Prof at Nottingham U 1987; **Huntingdon 1997**

OWEN, Stephen, b 1943, ed Cedars g s, Leighton Buzzard, London U; dir, management cons; Leighton Buzzard TC, Mayor, Bedfordshire CC, South Bedfordshire DC; **South West Bedfordshire 1997**

PALMER, Earnshaw Desmond Bani Jono; of African-Caribbean background; Thurrock MBC; courageously confronted BNP extremists in one of their 'strongholds'; Euro cand 2009; **Thurrock 2005**

PANTLING, Martin, ed King's s, Grantham, Lincolnshire, Royal Coll of Music; lived Luton since 1999; cllr Luton MBC dpty grp ldr, finance spokesman; Bedfordshire Police Authority; latterly music tutor; **South West Bedfordshire 2001**

PARKER, Lesley, b 1921, ed Wychwood s, Oxford, Oxford U; first Party cand locally for 25 years; **Norwich South 1970, 1974 Feb**

PARKER, Robin G., b 1952, ed The Nobel g s, Stevenage, Birmingham U, Cambridge U; teacher; formerly SDP; cllr Stevenage BC; **Welwyn Hatfield 1992**

PARTRIDGE, Simon, b 1953? Cllr North Norfolk DC grp ldr; resigned to become head of Broads Study Centre; formerly ran B & B business; **Great Yarmouth 2010**

PAYNE, Cheyney, has lived locally for 15 years; ed Cambridge U; Cambridge CC 2018; her interests include NHS, EU, climate change; **Cambridge 2024**

PEARCE, Pauline, b Hitchin 1967, of Barbadian background, ed local g s, assumed status of local heroine in her efforts as peace maker during riots in Hackney, London E in 2011; became local Party activist; articulate, good communicator; aspired to nomination as Party President 2014 but stood down, claiming she was the victim of covert racism in Lib Dem circles; **Hitchin & Harpenden 2015**

PENROSE, Alexander Peckover Doyle, b 1896; farmer from old Norfolk Quaker banking family; campaigner for National Trust; d 1950; **King's Lynn 1945**

PENWARDEN, David John Howard, b 1932, ed Taunton s, Oxford U., Pres U Liberal Club 1955; fought first election when an undergraduate; a tall, imposing figure with a fine speaking voice; West Ham MBC 1961-1964; associated with David Brooke qv (Greater London) in establishing a Party bridgehead in hitherto barren territory in East London docklands; later moved to Oxford area where he became an activist and stalwart campaigner; Reading MBC; West Ham North 1955, Deptford by-e 1963 (both Greater London), **South Bedfordshire 1974 Feb, Oct, Hemel Hempstead 1979**

PETCHEY, Allan Raymond Kenneth, b 1961, ed Fairfax h s, Westcliffe-on-Sea; health service internal auditor; Essex CC; **Castle Point 1992**

PHELPS, Margaret H., former teacher, cand Welsh Assembly 2007; associated with Liberal Left group opposed to coalition with Conservatives; Cynon Valley 2005 (Wales), **Witham 2010**

PHILLIPS, Andrew Wyndham, later Lord P. of Sudbury, OBE, b Long Melford, Suffolk 1939, ed Uppingham, Cambridge U; solicitor; founded a City partnership 1970, later cons; held many non-exec directorships; fought Harwich for Labour 1970; after expulsion 1973 joined Liberals; Euro cand 1979; Life Peerage 1998; in the by-e he faced (Col) Oliver Smedley qv who stood as an All Party Anti-Common Market Alliance cand, who polled 4.47%; his interests included Home Affairs, Legal Aid, citizenship issues; in Lords played role in defeat of Identity Cards Bill; involved with charities; author of books on charity law; lived Sudbury; Chancellor of Essex U from 2000; author of several books on law; made appearances on TV, radio, notably on the Jimmy Young Show as its 'legal eagle'; his major

commitment throughout his life was for a socially responsible legal profession; he was dismayed by the commercialisation that served the wealthy and powerful; d 2023; there were several lengthy obituaries in the press most notably in *The Guardian*; **Saffron Walden by-e 1977, 1979**, Gainsborough & Horncastle 1983 (East Midlands Region), **North Essex 1997**

PHILPOTT, F. H., b 1897, ed Tankerton Coll, Oxford U; service WWI RNAS; private tutor, fdr of St Martin's s, Crewkerne, St Martin's, Walton-on-Thames; active with Party in Guildford; deceased; Guildford 1950 (Southeast Region), **Bedford 1951**

PICTON, David, b 1936? solicitor; **St Albans 1979**

PITT, Mike, ed Cambridge U, Open U; teacher, previously in software ind; cllr in Cambridgeshire; against detention of child asylum seekers; campaigned against ID cards; **North East Bedfordshire 2010, Rayleigh & Wickford 2015**

POLLARD, A. Kathy b 1951, ed Llanwyn-y-Bryn h s, Swansea; Birmingham U, Swansea U., worked in research for BT for 20 years; joined Party 1983; DCllr 1987-95, Suffolk CC 1993 to date; mbr Friends of the Earth; Euro cand; lives Ipswich; Euro cand 2004; **South Suffolk 1992, 1997, 2005**

POLLOCK, Brian B., b 1950, ed Central Foundation b g s, London, Padgate Coll of Education, Warrington Manchester U; teacher; **Broxbourne 1983**

POND, April H., businessperson; cllr Norwich City C; had been adopted PPC for Broadland but stood down to contest by-election; **South West Norfolk 2005, Norwich North by-e 2009**

POPE, Michael, **Huntingdon 2001**

PORRER, Andrew, **Broxbourne 2005**

PRENDERGAST, Sean, cllr North Hertfordshire DC; cand for Hertfordshire Police and Crime Commissioner; an investigator for Housing and Ombudsman service; **Luton North 2024**

QUINLAN, James, b 1951, West Hatch h s, Chigwell, London U, North London Poly; Ch Town Planner; South Cambridgeshire DC; **South Cambridgeshire 1997**

QUINTON, Nigel, of Liberal family; graduate geologist in oil ind; advocate of green policies, solar energy; **Hitchin & Harpenden 2010, South West Hertfordshire 2015, Welwyn Hatfield 2017**

RAJESH, Smita, lives locally, cllr Chelmsford City C; concerned over funding for GP practices; **North West Essex 2024**

RATCLIFFE, Josie, former HGV driver, originally software engineer; youth/scout ldr, taking expeditions to Africa, Norway, Switzerland; cllr King's Lynn & West Norfolk DC 2019-; seeks increased funding for NHS and education; concerned about climate change; **South West Norfolk 2019, 2024**

RAVEN, James Russell, b Colchester 1959, ed Gilberd s, Colchester; Prof Modern History successively at the Universities of Cambridge, Oxford and Essex; joined Liberals 1975, briefly with SDP; officer of local associations and Regional Party; much work in radio, TV and journalism; served as charity dir; interests incl education, higher education and charity matters; **Colchester North 1992, North Essex 2005, Harwich & North Essex 2010**

REILLY, Andrew A., b 1955, ed St Bonaventure's s, London E, Worthing Sixth Form Coll, Open U; publisher's editor; sec of elderly people's trust; formerly SDP see SDP section (Greater London); **Stevenage 1992**

RENAUT, Richard, ed Summerbee, Bournemouth s, Oxford U, Pres Liberal Club; NHS manager; Bournemouth MBC; **North East Cambridgeshire 2001, Bournemouth West 2005** (Southwest Region)

RIDLEY, David J., ed Eton, Cambridge U, Universities in France, Germany; publisher; **Saffron Walden 1959**

RIGBY, Brian, b 1944, ed Friars g s, Bangor, Hull U, open U; teacher; gen sec ALTU; **Hertford & Stevenage 1979**

RIGBY, Derek Malcolm, b 1934, ed Deytheur g s, Montgomeryshire, Wigan Tech Coll; process dvlpmnt manager; **Isle of Ely 1966**, Grimsby 1974 Feb, Oct 1979 (East Midlands Region)

RILEY, Steve, sen ind relations negotiator, managing dir of manufacturing firm; Broadland DC; his vote was 22.6% down on that of his predecessor; this was one of the greatest swings against the Party; **Broadland 2015**

RIJKE, Nick, ed St Bartholomew's s, Newbury, Staffordshire U, Exeter U; formerly investment man., dir of MS Society; later worked for Local Government Assn; joined party 1981; one-time Lib Dem election campaign organiser, Devon; researcher to David Rendle MP; associated with Liberal Left since inception 2012; **St Albans 2001**

ROBERTS, Dr Nigel, b Liverpool 1958, ed Prescott g s, Essex U; Ch Eng; co dir/freelance cons, Ipswich Airport Assn, mbr Alderney Legislature 2002-03; **Ipswich 1997**

ROBERTSON, Callum, moved to Essex 2017; legal adviser, former civil servant; ran Essex Law Clinic; community activist; **Clacton 2019**

ROBERTS, Stuart, lives Harpenden, farm manager; has held senior posts in NFU and farming industry; former Conservative cllr; contributor to Lib Dem new farm policies; **Mid Bedfordshire 2024**

ROBINSON, Denys, b Rochdale 1943, ed William Hulme's g s, Oxford U; sen English teacher; joined Liberals 1961; local cllr; many memberships incl Amnesty, Lib Dem Friends of the Earth; lives Dorchester-on-Thames; Cirencester & Tewkesbury 1970 (Southwest Region), **Eye 1974 Feb, Oct**

ROBINSON, Paul H., b 1938, ed Kings Norton g s, Birmingham, Peterborough Tech Coll; co rep; Rickmansworth UDC where he chaired various comms; Hertfordshire CC, Three Rivers DC; **Welwyn Hatfield 1974 Feb, Oct,**

ROBINSON, Sir Sydney Walter, b Walthamstow 1876, ed locally, Chicago Metropolitan Coll, USA; farmer, building contractor; fought eight parliamentary elections from 1918, six times for Chelmsford 1918 to 1931 inc by-e 1926; MP for Chelmsford 1923-24; in 1931 as a supporter of the National Government he stood as a National Liberal in Walthamstow West; for his final contest 14 years later in 1945, he was back in the Liberal fold; while at Westminster he attempted to introduce a Bill to include farm workers within the scope of National Insurance; cllr Essex CC for 30 years, latterly as alderman; Freeman of City of London; d Snaresbrook, London 1950; **Epping 1945**

ROBINSON, Stephen John, b 1966; ed Buckhurst Hill Co h s, U of Central Lancashire; graduate in Law/Politics; researcher; cllr Essex CC 1993-2001, 2012- Epping Forest DC 1990-1998, dpty grp ldr 1992-96; Chelmsford City C 2011- Council ldr 2019- ; member/dir R.I.B.A.; mbr Party Euro Group, ERS; lives Chelmsford; **Epping Forest 1997, Chelmsford West 2001, 2005, Chelmsford 2010, 2015, 2017**

ROBSON, Stina Inga, née Arvidsson, later Baroness R. of Kiddington, b Stockholm 1919; ed Olinska g s, Stockholm; worked for Swedish Foreign Ministry in Britain 1939-43; m (Sir) Lawrence Robson 1940, a generous patron of the Party; organised with her husband many residential weekends for candids and Liberal personalities at their home Kidlington nr Oxford in 1950-60s; became party spokesperson in the Lords on agriculture, environment, health; chair of panel investigating fraud in the Chipping Norton RDC; LPO Council 1960s; Pres WLF 1968-70, Pres LPO 1970; Life Peerage 1974; resolutely opposed to radical aims of NLYL; succeeded her husband as Chair, National Liberal Club, 1982, helping to put together a financial package which saved the Club from extinction; at time of her death was longest serving JP in England, Britain; rather aloof in manner, she could be abrupt and dismissive of colleagues and those she considered to be of lesser importance; figures in *Mothers of Liberty* (Lib Dem History Group, 2012); d 1999; **Eye 1955, 1959**, Gloucester 1964, 1966 (Southwest Region); see entry *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

RODNIGHT, Eric W., b 1920, ed Merchant Taylors' School, London U; marketing man in chem ind; **Colchester 1964**

ROGERS, Adrian C., b 1963, ed Newmarket u s, West Suffolk Coll of FE; bank auditor; Forest Heath DC; active with Bury St Edmunds LDA; **Waveney 1992**

ROGERS, David W., b 1948, ed William Penn s, Rickmansworth; company acc; Treasurer, Chilterns Regional party; Aylesbury Vale DC; **Luton South 1992**

ROGERS, Mahmud Henry, ed attended school in Bedford, LSE; studied further at University of United Nations, School of Government, Maastricht; Bedford MBC; local campaigner; **Bedford 2015**

ROGERSON, Daniel John (Dan), b St Austell 1975, ed Bodmin Coll, U of Wales, Aberystwyth; joined Party in North Cornwall 1991; researcher for Bedford BC Lib Dem grp 1996-98, in university admin then Party Organiser in Cornwall 2002-04; cllr Bedford BC 1999-2002, dpty grp ldr; in Commons took Parliamentary Oath in Cornish, mbr Communities and Local Government team; Parliamentary US for Water, Forestry, Rural Affairs and Resource Management in Coalition government 2013-15; interests incl waste and recycling, Cornish and Celtic culture; in 2009 he presented a bill to Parliament proposing a devolved Assembly for Cornwall on the lines of the Welsh Senedd and Scottish

Parliament; cllr Cornwall C 2025-, cabinet mbr; **North East Bedfordshire 2001**, Cornwall North 2005, 2010, 2015 (Devon & Cornwall Region); MP 2005-15

ROPER, Daniel, joined Lib Dems 2007, formerly Labour; lives Norwich; Broadlands DC grp ldr, Norfolk CC; **Broadland 2010**

ROSE, Paul L., b 1929, ed Midhurst g s, Farnham g s; solicitor with LCC; active with LCC staff ass; LPO Council; paid meticulous attention to detail; short in stature, people were on first acquaintance daunted by his piercing, metallic blue eyes; fdr-mbr New Orbits; quietly influential in highest Party circles for a time; died at tragically early age; Ilford North 1955 (Greater London), Worthing 1964 (Southeast Region), **Mid Bedfordshire 1966**

ROUTLEDGE, (Capt) George H. Alexander, b 1918? ins broker service WW II as Commando; d 1956; **Colchester 1945**

ROWE, (Major) Dennis G., ed Drayton Manor g s, Hanwell, Larkfield Teacher Training Coll, Northern Ireland; professional soldier later teacher; **Huntingdonshire 1974 Feb, Oct, 1979**

ROWLANDS, Anthony, b Shanklin, Isle of Wight 1952, ed Ryde s, schools in Hertfordshire inc Haberdashers' Aske's, Oxford U, Cambridge U, London U; former teacher; has competed in twelve London Marathons and elsewhere; from 2000 Dir of CentreForum 'think tank'; cllr St Albans DC 1986-2003, 2006- dpty ldr, mayor 2023-24, Hertfordshire CC 1993-97, 2017-; persistent campaigner; **St Albans 1997**, Isle of Wight 2005 (South Central Region), **Hertsmere 2010**, **Broxbourne 2015**

ROWLANDSON, Maurice L., **Bedford 1959**

RUNCIMAN, (Col) John Grieg, b Holm, Orkney 1895, ed Kirkwall Burgh s, Glasgow U; relative of Viscount Walter R. (long serving Liberal MP and later Cabinet Minister in pre-war National Government); professional soldier 1912-47 serving in Tank Reg; d 1965; **Southend East 1950**

RUNDLE, Anthony Stanley Richard, OBE, b Wales 1913, of Jewish background; ed Northampton Coll of T'nology, U of Milan, London U; cons chemist; cllr Richmond LBC 1966, the first Liberal elected; an early exponent of what came to be known as 'community politics'; d 1978; Kingston upon Thames 1964 (Greater London), **Ipswich 1966**, Richmond 1970, 1974 Feb (Greater London)

RUSSELL, Sir Robert (Bob), b Camberwell, London 1946, ed St Helena s mod s, Colchester, North Essex Tech Coll; journalist Essex newspapers, later *London Evening News*, press officer Essex U 1986-97; originally Labour, fought Sudbury & Woodbridge 1974, Colchester 1979; cllr Colchester BC; defected to SDP 1981; Mayor 1986-87, leader of council 1987-91; in Commons Sports Spokesman 1999-2005, Shadow Defence Spokesperson 2005-10; **Colchester 1997, 2001, 2005, 2010, 2015, 2017; MP 1997-2015**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

RUTHERFORD, Stephen John, hails from Essex, lived locally for fifteen years; mechanical eng; joined Party 1988, involved in community life, runs youth centre; **North East Bedfordshire 2005**, **South West Bedfordshire 2015**, **North East Bedfordshire 2017**

SAICH, Edwin Claude, b 1924; d 1991; **Hemel Hempstead 1955**

SAINSBURY, Edward, grew up locally; sec s teacher; Billericay TC; interests incl education; **Basildon & Billericay 2019, 2024**

SALEK, Lucy, ed Yale U, USA; graduated MA; worked for faith communities in Middle East, Europe, Asia, Africa; **Southend West 2017**, Lewisham East by-e 2018 (Greater London)

SALT, R. B., **Ipswich 1974 Oct**

SANDBACH, James P. C., lawyer with degrees from various Universities; lives Saxmundham; worked with various charity organisations, MIND, CAB, RNID etc; joined Party 1988; has assisted MPs; mbr of Party policy working groups; Chair, Association of Liberal lawyers; Putney 2010 (Greater London), **Castle Point 2005, Suffolk Coastal 2015, 2017, Central Suffolk & North Ipswich 2019, Ipswich 2024**

SANDFORD, J. Nicholas (Nick), policy officer for charity organisation; Peterborough MBC grp ldr; active in C of E; interests incl environment, transport; **Peterborough 2001, 2005, 2010, North West Cambridgeshire 2015, Peterborough 2024**

SATTIN, Gerald, b 1927, ed St Edwards, Oxford, Cambridge U; antique dealer, co dir; experienced election agent; **South Hertfordshire 1979**

SCHUR, Tony, ed Oxford U, Ch Acc; worked in Zambia, lived Woodbridge; mbr Norwich NHS Trust; officer of Immigration Advisory Service; **Suffolk Coastal 2001**

SCHWARTZ, Rodney S., b 1957, ed Benjamin Cardozo h s, New York, Rochester U, USA; investment banker; mbr Party business forum; **Welwyn Hatfield 1997**

SCOTT, Agnes H., b 1908, ed Hamilton, Ontario; worked in advertising, Ontario; lect; active with WLF; Walton & Weybridge UDC; deceased; **Sudbury & Woodbridge 1955**, Reigate 1959, Woking 1964, 1966 (both Southeast Region)

SCOTT, David, b 1947, ed Ermysteds, Skipton g s; journalist, sportswriter later local newspaper editor, Romford, Essex; active with YLs in Yorkshire; took up community politics; Maldon DC, Mayor; successful crime novelist; **Braintree 1974 Feb**

SCOTT, Malcolm J., b 1946, ed Duncan Hall s, Great Yarmouth Joseph's Coll, Birkfield, Norwich City Coll; clothing and textile retailer; later marketing exec; **South Norfolk 1974 Feb, Oct, South West Norfolk 1987, Great Yarmouth 1992**

SEEAR, (Beatrice) Nancy, later Baroness S. of Paddington, b Croydon 1913, ed Croydon h s., Cambridge U, LSE; in personnel man 1936-46; Life Peerage 1971, Privy Counsellor 1985; Party Leader in Lords 1984-88, Dpty Ldr 1988-97; Pres of LPO 1964-65; prominent in campaigns for recognition of carers', women's rights, terming herself 'an anti, anti-feminist;' campaigned over 20 years in seven successive elections in five regions; a strong platform performer, the content of her speeches was sometimes expressed in terms which tested her audience; though charming and persuasive, her academic approach was ineffective on the doorstep; frequent radio/TV broadcaster, *Question Time* etc; had many interests including Inst of Personnel Management, Fawcett Society, British Standards Inst; immensely popular throughout the Party; her style was well suited to the Lords where she shouldered many responsibilities; sharp-witted and always good-humoured; at Wakefield in her final contest, in what was a very unpromising constituency, for which she was

wholly unsuited, she polled just 8.64%; d London 1997; see *Mothers of Liberty* (Lib Dem History Group, 2012); Hornchurch 1950, 1951 (Greater London), Truro 1955, 1959 (Devon & Cornwall Region), **Epping 1964**, Rochdale 1966 (Northwest Region), Wakefield 1970 (Yorkshire Region); see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

SEEFF, Dr Geoffrey Michael (Geoff), b 1948, ed Beal g s, Ilford, Birmingham U; acc with Coopers and Lybrand, later man cons; originally SDP; joined Party 1995; Chingford & Woodford Green 1997, Romford 2005, Chingford & Woodford Green 2010, (both Greater London), **Harlow 2015, 2017**; Chingford & Woodford Green 2019 (Greater London)

SELLICK, Beki, professional eng/manager with her own company; mbr Assn Mechanical Engs; lives Peterborough; has chaired international conferences; active with residents/community groups; supports Fair Trade; in the by-election she trebled the Lib Dem share of the vote in very difficult circumstances at the height of the Brexit impasse; **Peterborough 2017, by-e 2019, 2019**

SENIOR, Ian L., b 1928, kinsman of Lady Ruth Abrahams qv (Greater London, East Midlands Region) ed Sedbergh s, Oxford U, market economist; political organiser 1967-69; **Eye 1970**, Hendon North 1974 Oct (Greater London)

SEWARD, (Capt) James Cannon, b Wandsworth, London 1907, ed Dover Coll; engineer, lived Aylesbury; service WWII; worked in India, later with Rootes Group; manager of family motor business; d 1986; **Ipswich 1950**

SHAW, Ann, ed St Helen's s, Northwood, Oxford U; nursery teacher, former Party researcher; cllr Three Rivers DC grp chair, cll ldr; mbr Amnesty Int; **South West Hertfordshire 1992, 1997**

SHAW, Charles A., b 1938, ed Sedbergh s, Cambridge U; commercial manager in chem ind; mbr Party Economic Affairs panel; **St Albans 1970, 1974 Feb, Oct**

SHELDON-WILLIAMS, Peter, b 1919, ed Christ's Hospital, Central School of Arts & Crafts; mbr Liberal Writers Assn, Sec Comm Union of Trade; one time PR officer; strong character, something of an iconoclast; art critic, broadcaster, distinguished artist, under the name A. Oscar, both before and after his brief foray into politics; LPO Council; off-beat sense of humour; strong voice; once applied for the post of Director of the Imperial War Museum stating at an ensuing interview that his policy would be to seek the closure of the museum; d 1994; **Billericay 1959, 1964**, Richmond-upon-Thames 1966 (Greater London)

SHEPARD, Nicky, runs own business; active with local community; urges closer contact between politicians and communities; **North East Hertfordshire 2017**

SHOCKET, Godfrey b 1940, ed St Paul's s, U of Manchester, LSE; business economist; LPO Council 1960s; **South Bedfordshire 1970**

SHREEVE, John, b Great Yarmouth, lived locally 32 years; designs/supplies audio visual systems; Chair, Suffolk Lib Dems; mbr Lib Dem Federal Policy Committee; **Waveney Valley 2024**

SIDDONS, (F/L) William Harold Henry, b Belfast, Northern Ireland, 1922; descendant of legendary actress of early C19th, Sarah Siddons, ed Leicester, RADA; RAF service WW II in Bomber Command; stage/film actor; died by his own hand 1963; **Thurrock 1950**

SIMONDS-GOODING, (Major) Hamilton, b 1912, of Catholic background, ed Epsom Coll; military service; freelance journalist; Knight of Malta; vice Pres Ulster Liberals; of distinguished appearance; deceased; Down South 1964 (Northern Ireland), **South Bedfordshire 1966**, Down North 1970 (Northern Ireland)

SKELCHER, Barrie, b 1932, ed Leicester U, Birmingham U; co dir, health physicist; **Lowestoft 1979**

SMEDLEY, (Major), Oliver, MC, b Surrey 1911, ed Monkton Combe s; distinguished army service in WW II in Normandy landings; first job as stores clerk in Paris factory; later with firm of accs; subsequently businessman prominent in popular music and broadcasting industry; redoubtable advocate of free trade and classical liberal economics; Chair, Cheap Food League; left Liberals in 1962 opposing Liberal advocacy of entry to EEC; founded 'Keep Britain Out' movement; was involved in death of a rival businessman in dispute over a pirate radio broadcasting station but found not guilty of murder; later fought under various Anti-Common Market designations; said to have contested eighteen parliamentary elections; d 1989; **Saffron Walden 1950, 1951**, Walthamstow West by-e 1956, 1959 (Greater London)

SMITH, Bridget, b Durham ed Bristol, Durham U; lived Belfast and West Africa; worked in Hearing Therapy, Manchester Royal Infirmary, later research at Cambridge U; DcIllr grp ldr; worked with communities and charities; **North West Cambridgeshire 2017, 2019, 2024**

SMITH, Paula, b 1951, ed St John's s, Billericay; co dir, aviation ind; Essex CC; **Rochford & Southend East 1997**

SMITH, P.G., **Norwich South 1974 Oct**

SMITHARD, Jane Caroline Grantham, ed St Paul's jun s, Brook Green, St Mary's Hall, Brighton, Kingston Poly, Inns of Court, King's Coll, London U; barrister; joined Party 1974; for many years associated with Parliamentary Cands selection panel; Federal Party Comm; editor for some years of the influential and well compiled Parliamentary Campaigner, Candidates' Briefing; has officiated in several internal Party enquiries, often of a delicate nature, re irregularities in elections, procedures, discipline etc; Cities of London & Westminster 1987, 1992 (Greater London), **Basildon 2001**

SMITHSON, Michael, b 1946, ed Burnage g s, Manchester, LSE; marketing cons, dir of cos; with BBC 14 years; mbr NUJ; founded website politicalbetting.com 2004; cllr Bedfordshire CC 1989-97, Bedford BC 1996-2000; **North Bedfordshire 1992**

SMOUT, Charles A. P., b 1929, ed The Leys s, Cambridge U, Birmingham U; dpty headmaster; Daventry Feb 1974 (East Midlands Region), **Mid Bedfordshire 1979**

SOLLOM, Ian Fraser, ed King Edward VI coll, Stourbridge, Oxford U, Cambridge U; cllr South Cambridgeshire DC 2018-22; in 2019 he was selected by the constituency poll arrangement; the following December he went on to poll 42.00%, just 4.34% behind the successful Conservative; in 2024 he pulled off a surprise victory polling 19,517 votes, 36.9% of the poll, for a majority of 4,648; in Commons LD Spokesperson for Universities & Skills 2024-; **South Cambridgeshire 2019, St Neots & Mid Cambridgeshire 2024; MP 2024-**

SOMMERS, Natalie, lived locally over 25 years; cllr Colchester BC; interests incl health services, sewage pollution; **Harwich & North Essex 2024**

SOSKIN, Renee R. née Beloff, b 1916, of Jewish background, sister of Prof Max B., historian, Conservative Peer; ed King Alfred's, London; Royal Academy of Music; trained for the stage; later dir of cos, latterly teacher of Speech/Drama, dir of her own school, now Webber Ind s; widely respected in party circles in her day; active with Hampstead LDA, Academy of Music; JP for London; LPO Council, vice-Pres WLF; d 1998; **South Bedfordshire 1959**, Hampstead 1964, 1966 (Greater London)

SOUTER, John Michael, Chair, Huntingdonshire LDA; **North West Cambridgeshire 2005**

SPARHAM, Henry William, b Mutford, Suffolk 1913, master printer at Lowestoft; service WWII; Lowestoft MBC; fdr mbr Lowestoft YLS 1934; LPO Exec; Vice-Pres NLYLS; LPO National Exec. d 1974; **Bury St Edmunds 1950**

SPEED, Paul, b Surrey, lives Dereham; ins broker in Norwich; **Mid Norfolk 2015**

SPENCELEY, Lorna Helen, later DUPRÉ, b Jersey 1958, ed Hautlieu s, Jersey, Cambridge U, Open U; cllr Harlow DC 1992-2010, council ldr 2002-07, grp ldr; Cambridgeshire CC dpty ldr, East Cambridgeshire DC grp ldr, Chair Environment & Green Investment Cttee; East of England Regional Party administrator from 2007; cand Mayor Cambridgeshire & Peterborough 2025; energetic; adept at political tweets; determined campaigner; lives nr Ely; Euro cand 1999; **Harlow 1992, 1997, 2001, 2005, North East Cambridgeshire 2010**

SPRECKLEY, David R. A., b India 1915, allegedly of part-Gurkha parentage; orphaned before first birthday, adopted by family in England; ed Dartmouth Naval Coll, Royal Military Coll, Sandhurst; his biographical details show some inconsistencies but are usually given as follows; former cavalry officer, later worked with pre-WW II Peace Pledge Union, also as librarian; spent short spells in prison towards end of WWII for breaching public order, failing to comply with conditions applying to conscientious objectors; refused to take oath in magistrates court 1951, narrowly escaping further penalties; dir of caravan building business; formerly Labour; Huntingdonshire CC 1958-61; joined party 1961; Godmanchester BC, Huntingdon DC 1957-82, St Neots TC; enthusiastic advocate of co-partnership policies which he introduced into his businesses; quintessential itinerant cand fighting elections in four different constituencies within five years; at Yarmouth first party cand for 14 years; LPO Exec; unaccountably strongly promoted for a time by LPO HQ; dropped out of Party activity c1970; joined CND 1982; in 2009 reportedly involved with British Republican Party; latterly lived at Buckden; d 2013; **Yarmouth 1964, Huntingdon 1966, Cambridge by-e 1967**; Newcastle-under Lyme by-e 1969 (West Midland Region)

STEELE, Charles Gordon A., b 1921, ed Daniel Stewart's Coll, Edinburgh, School of Architecture, Edinburgh Coll of Art; Cambridgeshire CC; mbr Party housing comm, town and country planning comm; first Party cand locally for 14 years; **Lowestoft 1964**

STEERS, Ian S., b 1928, ed Queen Elizabeth's g s, Devon; with firm of investment dealers; London Party Exec; **Watford 1959**

STEPHEN, David John, **Norwich North 2010**

STEVENS, (Major) Peter Arthur b Portsmouth 1914; PR officer with metal cos; service WW II with Ministry of Aircraft Production, later in HM Army to 1947; d 1991; **Hemel Hempstead 1950**

STIMSON, Nina J., b 1947, ed Hertfordshire & Essex g h s, Bishop's Stortford; managing. editor, business manager *European Cosmetic Markets*, Eastern Reg Chair 1993-95, mbr Charter 88; mbr LPO staff at Cowley St; previously editor *In Focus*; vice chair English Party; lives Leigh-on-Sea; **Southend West 1992, 1997, 2019**

STOLLAR, Gavin P., chair Lib Dems Friends of Israel for whom he has been a prominent spokesman; highly articulate with flair for publicity; Ilford North 2001 (Greater London), **Brentwood & Ongar 2005**

STONE, Stewart, former dir of global recruitment co, now runs coaching/training for careers business; main interests are importance of educational opportunity, defence of NHS; joined Party 2015; **Thurrock 2019**

STOTESBURY, Ian, b Petts Wood, Bromley ed Ravenswood s, Birmingham U, Cranfield U; career as scientist, engineer, environmentalist; advocates new standards of accessibility, approachability in politicians; **Watford 2017, 2019, 2024**

STRANGE, Andy, ed London Metropolitan U; word press expert, web developer with own co; Luton MBC; **South West Bedfordshire 2001, Luton South 2017**

STUART, Neil, b 1947, ed Slough g s, comp facilities/project manager; sometime with London Stock Exchange, Open U; formerly SDP, joined Party 1990; cllr Aylesbury Vale DC grp ldr; Buckingham (South Central Region) 1997, **Hemel Hempstead 2001**, Milton Keynes South West **2005** (South Central Region)

SUMMERS, William, b Kings Lynn 1978? ed Swindon h s, Leicester U; works in affordable housing provision; lives Brancaster Staithe; supports proposals for fully elected House of Lords, views which he has outlined on Lib Dem Voice; **North West Norfolk 2010**

SUTTON, Sue M., b 1946, ed ed George Watson's Ladies Coll, Edinburgh, Edinburgh U, Leeds U; freelance editor/writer; Cambridgeshire CC; Eastern Region Exec; interests incl social services, environment; **South West Cambridgeshire 1992**

SYKES, A. Manuela P. H., b 1925, ed Richmond Co g s, London U, sec of Students U; WW II in WRNS; lect, writer, public relations adviser; campaigner with Anti-Apartheid movement; LPO Council, Exec early 1960s; from late 1950s widely considered a rising star in the party; opposed to Britain joining European Union; Vice-Pres World Fed Liberal & Radical Youth; iron-willed women's rights campaigner; articulate with an excellent speaking voice; defected to Labour and fought Uxbridge (Greater London) by-e 1972 and 1974 Feb for that party; Westminster LBC from 1974; suffered severely from dementia in later years; won court action 2014 against Westminster LBC to enable her to live at her flat, her home of 60 years, rather than be confined in a care home; this was a signal victory for dementia sufferers; a tough character, her individualism was perhaps a little too strong to be contained in the Liberal Party of her day; d 2017; Finchley 1955 (Greater London), **Ipswich by-e 1957, 1959, 1964**, Falmouth & Camborne 1966 (Devon & Cornwall Region)

SYMINGTON, Sally Elizabeth, b 1964, lived locally 20 years; cllr Dacorum BC 2019-, council ldr 2025-, Hertfordshire CC, dpty council ldr, cabinet mbr for Adult Care Services 2025-, parish council chair; involved in community charity trustee; Treasurer Eastern Region LPO; interested in the promotion of small businesses; **Hemel Hempstead 2017, South West Hertfordshire 2019, 2024**

SZAUB-NEWTON, Joanna, a scientist working in health and environment; interests incl climate change, energy security, housing and healthcare; **North Bedfordshire 2024**

TANNER, (Lt Col) H. Douglas; service WW II in France later Malta; deceased; **Southend-on-Sea 1945**

TAYLOR, Alastair, **North West Cambridgeshire 2001**

TAYLOR, Amanda, b 1962, ed Leeds g h s, Leeds U; publishing marketing exec; Cambridge MBC; interests incl Charter 88 Transport 2000; **Peterborough 1992**, Eltham 1997 (Greater London), **South Cambridgeshire 2001**

TEALBY-WATSON, Elfreda Drusilla Sarah, b 1965; family from Downham Market, Newmarket, ed Cambridge U, post grad US politics; acc, later fund raiser; varied career with not-for-profit sectors in UK, Europe; parish/district cllr; **Saffron Walden 2001, 2005, Maldon 2010, West Suffolk 2015, 2017, 2019**

THOMAS Christopher, b 1948, ed Wolverhampton Poly, East Anglia U; teacher; **Norwich South 1992, Waveney 1997**

THOMAS, David Wynford, b 1940, ed Gowerton g s, Swansea, U Coll, Aberystwyth; lect in law; Welsh Party Exec, LPO Council; Sec Assn Liberal Lawyers; **Colchester 1974 Feb**

THOMAS, Dave, b Southend, raised in Norfolk, lives Dissindale, worked in Norwich 15 years; Broadlands DC, formerly Norfolk CC; interested in mental health, education, homelessness; **Norwich North 2019, South Basildon & East Thurrock 2024**

THOMPSON, Andrew; but for the unfortunate intervention of a 'continuing' SDP candidate, M. Pettman qv, he would almost certainly have won the by-election; **Epping Forest by-e 1988**

THOMPSON, Ashley, ed Southend h s, Essex U; career in classical music; directs choirs at Chelmsford Cathedral, Witham Church; favours mental health support in every school, taxes on social media cos, higher investment in NHS; **Witham 2024**

THOMPSON, Martin A., fought elections for Westminster LBC; interests incl mental health, housing; **Basildon & Billericay 2005, 2015**

THOMPSON, Paul, **Hertsmere 2001**

THOMPSON, (F/L) William George F. b Middlesex 1902, ed Hampton g s, head of legal firm; solicitor; WW II service in RAF Secret Branch; liveryman of Solicitors' Co, Freeman of City of London; Esher UDC 1934-46; d 1971; **Huntingdon 1950**

THORN, Ian L., b 1965, ed Plume s, Maldon Colchester Inst; public relations officer; Maldon DC; now businessman in Bath; Bradford-upon-Avon TC, Wiltshire CC 2013-17; **Colchester South & Maldon 1992**, Bridgwater 2001 (Southwest Region)

THORNHILL, Dorothy, MBE, later Baroness T. of Watford 2015, b Tenby, Pembrokeshire 1955, teacher locally for 25 years; cllr Watford MBC, dpty ldr, Mayor; active with Local Government Assn; led party review of General Election 2015; hon Vice-Pres Watford FC; **Watford 2015**

THOROLD, Peter G. H., b 1930, ed USA, Canada, Eton, Oxford U; ins broker; **Huntingdon 1964**

TINDALL, Ron, former trade union organiser; took Open U degree at 60; hails from Hemel Hempstead; Hertfordshire CC; supports second referendum on Brexit; interests incl health, social care; **Rayleigh & Wickford 2017, 2019**

TOD, Fionna, raised at Cambridge, ed U of York; worked/studied in USA, Mexico; varied experience; worked in financial services; assisted former MPs Julian Huppert qv, Martin Horwood qv (South West Region) at Westminster; now policy adviser on Brexit, foreign affairs; **Mid Norfolk 2017, Great Yarmouth 2024**

TOWNSEND, Christopher, b London 1971, ed U of London, Cambridge U, Imperial Coll; senior risk manager; Dacorum MBC 2007 to date; interested in financial matters, pure mathematical research; **South West Hertfordshire 2010, 2017**

TOYE, Moira Phyllis, activist in Norfolk area; **Norwich North 2001**

TRAIN, (Lieut) Leonard, b Sculcoates, Yorkshire, 1896, ed Hull g s; associated with Liberal Party from 1920; service WW I; cashier in textile firm, WWII worked in munitions; Chair, Essex County Liberal Assn; served on Home Counties Liberal Federation; first Party cand locally for 20 years; d 1962; **Harwich 1950**

TREVETT, Martin J., b 1949, ed Wm Grimshaw s, London, Southgate Tech Coll; electrical contractor; Three Rivers DC, comm chair; **West Hertfordshire 1992**

TROTTER, (Wing Cdr) Thomas Alfred/Albert, b 1917; served WW II, undertaking missions Canada, USA, West Indies; d 1998; **Hemel Hempstead 1945**

TULLY, Keith, b Little Oaksey, Wiltshire 1953, lived/worked Harwich all his life; in financial services; chair of PC; ERS; advocate of development of port of Harwich; **Harwich 2005**

TURNER, Barry H. P., b 1937, ed King Edward VI g s, Bury St Edmunds, LSE, Pres U Liberal Fed; teacher; first cand locally for 14 years; **South Norfolk 1964**

TURNER, Malcolm, b 1927, principal systems acc; CCllr; **South Bedfordshire 1979**

TURNER, Peter John Russell, Essex born/raised, lives Long Melford; dir of fostering agency after varied experience in gas, film, timber inds; DCllr, parish cllr; **Braintree 2001, 2005, 2017**

TWEDDLE, (Wing Cdr) Donald William, b 1911, ed Aylesbury g s, WWII service in Far East; varied experience in film, timber, gas inds; South East Reg Organiser for United Nations Assn; deceased; Oxford 1950 (South Central Region), **Mid Bedfordshire 1951**

ULZAMAN, Aroosa, grad in Law; volunteer at CAB; interested in family problems, abuse etc; Human Rights Lawyers' Assn; **Luton North 2015**

VAN DE VEN, Susan, b Beirut, Lebanon 1958; raised in several countries; ed in USA, Harvard; teacher; lived Cambridgeshire since 1988; Cambridgeshire CC; spokesman on transport, health; vigorous local campaigner for public services; worked formerly for Cambridge U Press; author, *One Family's Response to Terrorism; A Daughter's Memoire*; **Stevenage 2015, South Cambridgeshire 2017**

VAN DE WEYER, Aidan, lives Cambridgeshire, raised Huntingdon ed s s, King's Coll, London U; has taught English/History at French, English Us; later in academic publishing, IT development; **Central Suffolk & North Ipswich 2017**

VANDERPLANK, Richard E. W., b 1925, ed Cheltenham Coll, Cambridge U; architect; **Huntingdonshire 1959**

VANN, Henry, b 1986; teacher; cllr Bedford BC 2011-; spokesperson on education, grp ldr 2023- portfolio holder for town centres & planning; joined Party at school; **Bedford 2010, 2017, 2019, 2024**

WAKELIN, John D., b 1929, ed Maldon g s, Oxford U; headmaster, author; **Cambridge 1979**

WALKER, Reginald A., b 1917, ed Waterloo g s, Liverpool, Cambridge U; LPO Council; co dir; known informally as 'Johnny'; Ruislip Northwood 1959, 1964, 1966 (Greater London), **North West Norfolk 1974 Feb, Oct**

WALKINGTON, Alexander Stuart Burnett (Sandy), b Dingwall, Scotland 1953, ed Cheltenham Coll, Cambridge U, Coll of Law, Tulane U, New Orleans; MA, U of Hertfordshire; dir of Public Affairs, Transport London 2005-06, dir public affairs BT group 1992-2005, manager international relations, Texaco, New York, managing external affairs, Texaco 1981-91; joined ULS 1972; Chair, Cambridge U Lib Club, Head of Research, Parliamentary Party 1979-81; cllr St Albans DC, Hertfordshire CC 2013- ldr Lib Dem group ; dir General Election Communications 2005 LPO; serious minded; faced critics earlier in career who saw him as an intense individual; returned to contest original constituency in 2010 after interval of 23 years to poll 36.4%, only 0.6% below his best in 1983; **St Albans 1983, 1987, 2010, 2015**

WALLIS, Diana Paulette, b Hitchin, Herts 1954, ed Francis Combe s, Watford, North London Poly, U of Kent, has MA in Local Government; m Stewart Arnold who served as her P/A; solicitor; originally SDP, joined Lib Dems on merger; Humberside CC, East Riding DC 1995-99; one time deputy leader; MEP for Yorkshire & Humberside 1999 to 2012 resigned to become lect Hull Law School, ldr of UK Lib Dems 2001-04; later elected Pres Euro Law Inst; unsuccessful as cand for Pres of Euro Parliament 2011; Euro cand in North East Essex 1989, Yorkshire 1994, 1998, 2015; had responsibility for Euro relations with non-member states, Iceland, Norway, Switzerland; appears to have severed links with Lib Dems later; fought Haltemprice & Howden for the Yorkshire Party 2015; Euro cand for Yorkshire & Humberside for Change UK 2019; **Braintree 1992**, Haltemprice & Howden 1997 (Yorkshire Region)

WALSH, David, b 1937, ed Leeds g s, Leeds U; solicitor; **East Hertfordshire 1970**

WALSH, Leonard C. M., b 1896, ed elem s, Dunmow; commercial training in Buenos Aires, Argentina; diplomatic service 1931-43; deceased; **Maldon 1959**

WALSTON, Henry David Leonard George, CVO, JP, later Lord W. of Newton, b 1912, ed Eton, Cambridge U, land owner, agricultural researcher in Cambridgeshire and in St Lucia, British West Indies; wrote a pamphlet for Liberals in 1945 *From Forces to Farming* in which he advocated a radical policy of state aided collective farms to be owned/managed by ex-servicemen; soon defected to Labour for whom he contested Cambridgeshire 1951, 1955, Gainsborough by-e 1956, 1959; created Life Peer 1961; author of several pamphlets on agriculture; associated with Campaign for Democratic Socialism; Under Sec of State for Foreign Affairs 1964-67; favoured majority rule in Rhodesia; while in South Africa attempted behind-the-scenes negotiations with apartheid regime leaders; similarly involved in talks with North Vietnam leaders during conflict there; MEP 1975-77; associated with SDP in early 1980s; stayed with that grouping after merger with Liberals; involved with his 1st wife in on-going love triangle with novelist Graham Greene; his second wife was Elizabeth W. qv (SDP section), the former wife of Nicholas Scott Conservative MP and Cabinet Minister; d 1991; **Huntingdon 1945**

WARD, Karen, b 1966; lived North Norfolk since 2001, now at Sheringham; former senior civil servant, Whitehall, lately running her own business advisory firm; HR man Open U; cllr North Norfolk DC; was instrumental in Norfolk declaring itself a Climate Emergency; leads Local Homes for Local People Agenda; **North Norfolk 2019**

WATERMAN, Alan M., b 1949, ed London U, Exeter U; field centre proprietor; active with British Trust for Ornithology; one of few Party cand s in region to increase his share of the poll; **North West Norfolk 1992**

WATES, Julian J., b 1938, ed Newcastle g s, Cambridge U, Leicester U; lect; mbr Liberal International; **St Albans 1966**

WATKINS, Colin G., b 1937, ed Watford Tech High s; financial adviser; **Watford 1970**

WATTS, Peter S., b 1936, ed Blundell's s, Tiverton, Cambridge U; teacher; active with United Nations Assn; **Colchester 1966, 1970**

WEAVER, Grace, b c1989, ed Oxford U; lives East Bergholt; consultant to various health charities & companies; joined Party at 18; interests incl mental health, youth, gay rights; **South Suffolk 2015**

WELCH, Peter, b Gloucester 1962; joined Party 1980; Euro cand 2009; blogger with Liberal Review; lives Leigh-on-Sea; **Southend West 2010**

WERNICK, Lionel R., b 1928, of Jewish background; ed Wolverhampton g s, King's Coll, London; managing dir; brother of Joseph W. qv (West Midland Region); **Billericay 1966, Brentwood & Ongar 1974 Feb, Oct**

WEXHAM, Peter A., Southend MBC; **Southend West 2005**

WHEELER, Edwin Michael, b 1929, ed Tollington s, London, Queen Mary Coll, U of London, U of Graz, U of Madrid; teacher/educational cons and publisher; persevering campaigner; St Marylebone 1959, by-e 1963 (Greater London), **Sudbury & Woodbridge 1964, 1966, 1970, Norwich North 1974 Feb, Oct**

WHITE, Christopher James, b 1959, ed Merchant Taylors' s, Northwood, Oxford U; Ch Acc/managing dir acc tuition co; Hertfordshire CC grp ldr; interests incl environment, Amnesty Int; Treasurer Chilterns Regional Party; activist with St Albans LDA; **Hertford & Stortford 1992, Hitchin & Harpenden 1997**

WHITE, David, b 1983; business analyst; **Harlow 2010**

WHITE, Joseph, b 1938, ed Tottenham Co s; careers service officer, Havering; Basildon DC chair grp; mbr community health council; **Ipswich 1992, Thurrock 1997**

WHITEHOUSE, Jon, b Wembley, lived Epping since child, ed Epping p s; worked in private, public, voluntary sectors; Essex Pension Fund Administrator; cllr Epping TC, Epping Forest DC 1995-, grp ldr, Mayor; **Epping Forest 2015, 2017, 2019, 2024**

WHITESIDE, A. John, b 1921, ed Merchant Taylors' s; Cambridge U; barrister, teacher of law; originally Labour for whom he fought Hertfordshire South West 1959; later joined Liberals; Rickmansworth UDC; **Hemel Hempstead 1964, 1966**

WHITMORE, Robert /Robin T., **Norwich North 2005**

WILCOCK, Alexander Iain Matthew Cameron (Alex), b 1971, ed St Simon's RC primary s, Hazel Grove, Harrytown RC h s, Stockport, Essex U, Pres Students' U; Chair, Party LD Youth 1994-95; inveterate blogger with *Love and Liberty* etc; mbr Liberator collective; author of a memorable statement 2015 of his concept of core Liberal values which was, and remains, particularly apposite and welcome at a low ebb in party fortunes; m Richard Flowers, Chair, Tower Hamlets LDA; **Stevenage 1997, Leyton & Wanstead 2001** (Greater London)

WILCOCK, Peter Anthony, ed Magdalene Coll s, Warwick U; store exec with Sainsbury's, later with Kantar Group; cllr Uttlesford DC, Chair; was obliged to resign from council after 18 years' service following discovery of alleged incriminating items on his council-issued laptop; **Harwich 2001, Saffron Walden 2010, Barking 2015** (Greater London)

WILKINS, Kevin, long resident in county lately at Ely; charity fund raiser; interests incl local transport, conservation; **North West Cambridgeshire 2010**

WILLIAMS, Geoff, b Chelmsford, Essex 1947, ed Fryerns s, Basildon, King's Coll, London; mod langs lect; joined Party 1979; cllr Basildon DC ldr group; Chair, Eastern Reg Party; Euro cand 1994; tenacious campaigner over 25 years; mbr Amnesty, NATFHE; **Basildon 1992, Billericay 1997, Rayleigh 2001, Basildon South & Thurrock East 2010, 2015, Camborne & Redruth 2017** (Devon & Cornwall Region)

WILLIAMS, John B., b 1951, ed Altrincham g s, York U; comp manager; St Edmonsbury MBC; **Bury St Edmunds 1992**

WILLIAMS, Richard, **Bury St Edmunds 2001**

WILLIS, James (Jamie), accounts manager; local campaigner in Maidstone, Kent area; Maidstone BC; Dartford 2010, Gravesham 2017, Maidstone & The Weald 2019 (All South East Region), **Castle Point 2024**

WILLIS, Tom N., b 1944, ed Caterham s, U of Sussex, London U; lect; **Hitchin 1970, Hertford & Stevenage 1974 Feb, Oct**

WILSON, A. John, b 1935, ed Gunnersbury Catholic g s, LSE; teacher; **Hemel Hempstead 1970**

WINCH, (Richard) Arden, b Ecclesall, Sheffield 1926, ed Abbotsholme s, Cambridge U; anthropologist, later engaged in advertising with J. W Thomson; service in Intelligence Corps 1944-48 WW II in Middle and Far East; later wrote over 100 plays and serial episodes for TV; also successful novelist; d Paphos, Cyprus 1991; **Kings Lynn 1950, Wembley North 1951** (Greater London)

WITHERICK, Allan Siao Ming, b 1979? of half-Malay, half-Chinese parentage; ed London U; long succession of varied posts, latterly performance officer with Central Bedfordshire Council; Hertfordshire Police Authority; East of England Regional Exec; Chinese Lib Dems; Lib Int British Group; **Broxbourne 2010**

WOOD, Derek Frederick John, b 1937, ed Preston Manor County g s, Wembley, London U; sen partner Euroculture International Services; mbr London Tourist Board, Inst of Race Relations; Three Rivers DC, Norwich MBC, Lord Mayor; noted for his affable manner, smart appearance; campaigner for well over 30 years; spoke at a noisy, open air meeting in company with Edwin Malindine, Lionel King (West Midland Region), Ronald Gardner-Thorpe qqv in the by-election at West Derbyshire 1962; there was an interval of 23 years between his 3rd and 4th elections; mbr Charter 88, ERS, Oxfam Lib Int; Ealing North 1964 (Greater London), **Epping Forest 1974 Feb, Oct, Great Yarmouth 1997**

WOOD, Michael (Mike), b Wallasey 1945, ed Ashton-on-Mersey sec s; worked overseas; later theatre admin dir; joined Sale YLs 1963; moved to Bishop's Stortford; cllr Hertfordshire CC, East Hertfordshire DC dpty grp ldr, Mayor, Bishop's Stortford 1991-92; **Hertford & Stortford 1997**

WOODTHORPE-BROWNE, Robert, b Little Gaddesden, Hertfordshire 1943, ed St Ignatius Coll, Stamford Hill, London, Poitiers U (France), Barcelona U, Birkbeck Coll; FRGS, FRFS; ins broker and underwriter; lived Broad Marston, Worcestershire; multi-linguist; excellent communicator; long active in Liberal Int, ELDR, former Chair PCA; Euro cand London Central 1979, Eastern Region 1999; organiser of Lib Dem weekend courses; influential and respected figure in highest echelons of Party; one time Chair, Party International Comm; noted for his organising skills, affable personality and multiplicity of interests; determined if somewhat ubiquitous campaigner over 36 years; d 2022; **Harlow 1979, Kensington & Chelsea 1997, by-e 1999** (Greater London), Mid Worcestershire 2001 (West Midland Region), Sedgefield 2005 (North East Region), South Staffordshire 2015 (West Midland Region)

WOTHERSPOON, Ronald E., b 1948, ed St Bonaventure's RC s, London, U Coll, Swansea; Conservative until 1981, joined SDP (see SDP section); joined Lib Dems after merger; mbr Regional Party Exec; **Cambridgeshire South East 1992**

WRIGHT, James, ed Anglia Ruskin U, City Coll, Norwich; IT strategist; Norwich City C grp ldr; worked for Simon Wright MP qv at Westminster; **Norwich North 2015, Norwich South 2017, Norwich South 2019**

WRIGHT, (Col) Michael (Mike), b 1928, ed St Alban's s, Manchester U; FE lect; local Director of Shelter; Warwickshire CC; amenable, gregarious character, remembered for his military bearing tempered with a bluff sense of humour; served on Liberal Defence Panel; took unilateralist line; lived Oxford; Stratford-upon-Avon 1974 Feb, Oct (West Midland Region), **Maldon 1979**

WRIGHT, Simon, b Norfolk 1979, ed Dereham Neatherd h s, Dereham Sixth Form Centre, Imperial Coll, London, King's Coll, London U; maths teacher; worked in campaigns off of Norman Lamb MP qv; cllr North Norfolk DC 2003; he won Norwich South with a remarkably low share of the poll, 29.36%; in his second contest he fell from 1st to 4th place with 13.63%; mbr Commons Environmental Audit Cttee 2010-15; **Norwich South 2010, 2015; MP 2010-2015**

YATES, Eunice b 1944, ed North Manchester g s, Reading U; business cons, dir of research associates, lect; Ilford South 1974 Oct (Greater London), **Broxbourne 1987**

YOUNG, David Andrew, former Royal Marine Commando; cllr Waveney DC ldr grp; runs own newsagent's, Lowestoft; strong supporter of plans to improve access to port of Felixstowe; **Waveney 2001, Suffolk Coastal 2005**

YOUNG, Lawrence, b 1931, ed St Paul's s, Cambridge U; co dir, economist; worked for UN Statistical Office 1955-58; **Peterborough 1964**, Hendon South 1966, 1970 (Greater London)

YOUNG, Paul, b 1964, ed Sir Wm Borlase s, Marlow; sales exec; RAF service; mbr League Against Cruel Sports, Gun Control Network; **Norwich North 1997**

ZUKOWSKY, Paul, lives/works Hatfield; interests incl environmental issues; **Welwyn Hatfield 2010, 2019**

SECTION TWO

SDP CANDIDATES in the GENERAL ELECTIONS of 1983 and 1987

ANTONY, Neil R., b 1956, ed King Edward VI s, Norwich, Durham U; personnel manager; **North Norfolk 1987**

ARTIS, Gillian Mary, b 1954, ed Loughborough U, Wolverhampton Poly; lect; **Waveney 1983**

BASTOW, Anne, b 1951, ed Carlton U, Ottawa; teacher; **Castle Point, 1983, 1987**

BEAVAN, David, b 1951, ed Stowe s, Essex U; farmer, former journalist; contested Hitchin Feb 1974 for Liberals; defected to SDP; later rejoined Lib Dems; (See Lib Dem section); **Waveney 1987**

BECKETT, Fiona May, b 1948, ed Exeter U; many interests serving on many comms; Euro cand 1984; **Watford 1987**

BENSON, Donald S., b 1926, ed Palmers s, Grays; with Port of London Authority for many years; lect/author on transport; **Thurrock 1983, 1987**

BERKELEY, Humphry J., b Marlow, Buckinghamshire 1926; son of Reginald B. (Liberal MP Nottingham Central 1922-24); ed Dragon s, Oxford Malvern Coll, Cambridge U; dir of medical charity; originally Conservative; protégé of Rab Butler; early pioneer of hoax, anonymous letters; contested Southall 1951, MP Lancaster 1959-66; strong supporter of UN; Council of Europe from 1963; though it was only later on that it became widely known he was gay, he courageously attempted to effect repeal of laws relating to homosexuals, much to the disgust of Party colleagues; defected to Labour contesting North Fylde for that party 1974 Oct; joined SDP 1981; later re-joined Labour; d 1994; **Southend East 1987**

BING, Inigo Geoffrey, b 1944, ed St Olave's, St Saviour's g s, London, Birmingham U; barrister, circuit judge 2000-12; cllr Lambeth LBC; for Labour contested Beckenham (Greater London) 1970; many interests incl citizens' rights, R. H. Tawney Soc; author several books incl *The Ten Legal Cases That Made Modern Britain* (2022); **Braintree 1983, 1987**

BIRCH, Michael, b 1945, ed Swayne s, Rayleigh; computer manager with publishing firm; Basildon DC; **Billericay 1987**

BROCKLEBANK-FOWLER, Christopher b Banbury, Oxfordshire 1934, ed Perse s, Cambridge M.I.M.; originally Conservative, mbr Bow Group of younger Conservatives; fought West Ham (Greater London) later Conservative MP Kings Lynn 1970-74, North West Norfolk 1974-81, a role which he is said to have performed in total obscurity; defected to SDP, crossing the floor during a Commons debate, the only Conservative MP to do so, sat as SDP MP 1981-83; **North West Norfolk 1983, 1987**; after merger fought as Lib Dem; d 2020; (see Lib Dem section)

BURROW, John R., b 1950, ed Bishop Stortford Coll, Essex U; barrister; **South West Bedfordshire 1987**

BURTON, Peter, b 1930, ed Pinner co s, University Coll, London, Harvard Business s; managing dir of comp systems eng firm; chair Chiltern Radio; **Watford 1983**

BYFIELD, Richard, b 1949, ed U of Bradford, Huddersfield Coll of Ed; coll lect; **South West Bedfordshire 1983**

CARGILL, David, b 1937, ed Gresham's s, Royal Agric Coll; farmer; former Conservative contesting Normanton (Yorkshire Region) 1970, Newark (East Midland Region) 1974 Feb for that party; **Mid Norfolk 1983**

EDEN-GREEN, Monica C., b 1944, ed Tiffin G s, Kingston-upon-Thames, Keele U, London U; part time lect/tutor with Open U; **Harlow 1987**

ELWORTHY, John b 1951, ed Hamonds g s, Swaffham, Wycliffe Hall, Theological Coll; newspaper editor/broadcaster, former British press rep for Dr Billy Graham; **North Norfolk 1983**

GEORGE, Colin George b 1938, ed Westcliff h s; gen sec Southend Advice Centre; Southend MBC; formerly Labour contesting for that party Chelmsford 1966, Southend East by-e 1980; **Southend East 1983**

GRAHAM, Gavin J. E., b 1947, ed All Saints, Bloxham, Liverpool U; fish farmer; Broadland DC; **Mid Norfolk 1987**

GRANSHAW, Dr Lindsay P., later Baroness Northover, see Lib Dem section; **Welwyn Hatfield 1983, 1987**

HARDIE, C. Jeremy M., b 1938, ed Winchester, Oxford U, Nuffield Coll, Oxford; chair national provident ins; chair other cos; mbr Arts Council of Great Britain and other bodies; **Norwich South 1983, 1987**

HARLAND, (Air Marshal) Sir Reginald Edward Wynyard KBE CB; b 1920, of famous ship building dynasty; ed Summer Field s, Oxford, Stowe s, Cambridge U; joined RAF 1939, distinguished record WW II, with Maintenance Command, ret 1977; later joined engineering consultants W. S. Atkins; Council of Engineering Institutions, vice-Chair; lived Bury St Edmunds; Chair St Edmunds Society; d 2013; **Bury St Edmunds 1983, 1987**

HAYMAN, Alan, b 1948, ed Brentwood s, Essex U, London U; TV producer; Essex CC, Essex Police authority; **Colchester North 1987**

HILLS, Nick C., **Mid Bedfordshire 1987** see Lib Dem section

HOLLINGHURST, Nicholas A., b 1945, ed St Anselm's Coll, Birkenhead, Manchester U; proprietor of ceramic tile co; Dacorum MBC; **West Hertfordshire 1983, 1987**

HOUSELEY, David, b 1931, ed Colchester Royal g s; travel cons, co managing dir; East Sussex CC; **Suffolk Coastal 1983**

HUMPHRIS, Anthony, b 1950, ed Christ's Hospital, Oxford U; economist earlier worked in ind relations for CEEB; formerly Labour; Euro cand for that party 1979; Oxford MBC; defected to SDP 1981; later adviser to Ian Wrigglesworth, Shirley Williams; **Epping Forest 1987**

LEE, Peter b 1940, ed Latymer u s, Oxford U; area comm education officer; cllr Cambridgeshire CC, dpty grp ldr; d 2009; **Cambridgeshire South East 1983, 1987**

MAXWELL, Stuart D., b 1960, ed Whitgift s, U Coll, Aberystwyth; public affairs cons; speech writer for Dr David Owen; **Great Yarmouth 1987**

MILLER, Joan M., b 1950, ed Rosebery g s, Epsom, Warwick U; housewife; various posts in Suffolk SDP organisation; **Suffolk Coastal 1987**

NICHOLSON, Anthony J., b 1948, ed Chislehurst & Sidcup g s, Oxford U, Cambridge U; teacher; **Huntingdon 1987**

NICHOLSON, Hugh P., b 1941, ed Northampton Town & Co g s; Ch Acc with ICI; Northampton CB, Redbridge LBC; joined Lib Dems after merger; see Lib Dem section; **Ipswich 1987**

NIGHTINGALE, Janet M., b 1939, ed Altrincham g s, Immarsh Coll of Physical Ed, Cambridge U; teacher; **Milton Keynes 1983**

OAKSHOTT, Matthew, Lord O. of Seagrove Bay, b 1947, ed Charterhouse, U Coll, Oxford, Nuffield Coll, Oxford; investment man; originally Labour contesting Crawley for that party Oct 1974; special adviser to Roy Jenkins MP; Oxford MBC; **Cambridge 1983**

PETTMAN, Michael, b 1950, ed Gravesend g s, Oxford U; partner in London Law firm with USA connections; originally Labour; cllr Epping Forest DC; he did not join the Lib Dems on the merger and fought the Epping Forest by-e 1988 as a 'continuing SDP' cand polling 12.2 % against a Lib Dem cand thus virtually handing the constituency to the Conservatives; qv Thompson, Andrew (Lib Dem Section); **Epping Forest 1983**

RODGERS, Rt Hon William Thomas (Bill), PC, later Lord R. of Quarry Bank, b Liverpool 1928, ed Quarry Bank h s, Liverpool, Oxford U; Gen Sec Fabian Soc 1953-60; Marylebone MBC 1958-62; joined Labour 1945, supporter of Hugh Gaitskell against left wing; held numerous government posts, parliamentary Under Sec to George Brown at DEA and later Foreign Office; Min of State, Board of Trade, Min of Defence 1974-76, later at Treasury under James Callaghan, 1976-79, Sec of State for Transport; Life Peer 1992; one of the original 'Gang of Four' (David Owen, Roy Jenkins, Shirley Williams qqv) who broke with Labour to found SDP 1981; very successful chief negotiator for SDP in division of candidatures with the Liberals for the General Elections of 1983, 1987, possibly only three being contested by both parties; enthusiastic advocate of merger, leading 'Yes To Unity' campaign; outside parliament posts with RIBA 1987-94, Advertising Standards Authority 1995-2000 etc; in Lords spokesman on Home Affairs 1994-97, author of several books including biography *Gaitskell* (1963), autobiography *Fourth Among Equals* (2004); Bristol West by-e 1957; Stockton-on-Tees by-e 1962, 1964, 1966, 1970, 1974 Feb, Oct 1979, 1983 MP Labour 1962-81, SDP 1981-83; Stockton-on-Tees North 1983 (North East Region), **Milton Keynes 1987**

SLIPMAN, Sue, b 1949, of Jewish background, ed U of Wales, London U; President of N.U.S. 1977-78; dir of National Centre for One Parent Families 1986-95; originally a Communist, joined SDP 1981; well-known broadcaster and campaigner on women's issues and social matters; **Basildon 1983**, Hayes & Harlington 1987 (Greater London)

STEPHEN, J. David, b 1942, ed Luton g s, Cambridge U, Essex U; dir Runnymede Trust; special adviser to Dr David Owen at Foreign and Commonwealth Office, later cons to Amnesty Int, World U Service; **Luton North 1983, 1987**

STEVENS, John W., b 1932, ed Kingsbury g s, London, Cambridge U; ret auctioneer; formerly Labour contesting for that party Cleveland 1964; Colchester MBC; **South Colchester & Maldon 1983, 1987**

STONEHAM, Benjamin Russell Mackintosh (Ben), now Lord S of Doxford, b 1948, ed Cambridge U, Warwick U; dir of personnel/ind relation for newspaper grp; formerly Labour contesting for that party Saffron Walden 1977 by-e, 1979; cllr Hertfordshire CC; joined LDs on merger; Operations Dir for LPO 2003-10; Life Peer 2011; mbr of study groups on environment, employee participation; **Stevenage 1983, 1987**

TORODE, John, ed Oxford U, Cornell U, New York U, Harvard School of Business; political journalist; mbr Government Comm on privacy; **Saffron Walden 1983**

WALSTON, Lady Elizabeth, 2nd wife of Henry, Lord Walston qv; former wife of Sir Nicholas Scott MP (former Conservative Cabinet Minister); b 1933 ed Alerton h s, Ely Coll; writer; **Peterborough 1983**

WILLIAMS, Rt Hon Shirley Vivian Teresa Brittain, CH, PC, later Baroness W. of Crosby, b Chelsea 1930, née Catlin, daughter of political scientist, philosopher Sir George C. and distinguished author, Vera Brittain; ed at various schools incl Talbot Heath, Bournemouth, St Paul's g s, London and in

Minnesota, USA, for three years during the wartime evacuation; at Oxford U chair Labour Club, Fulbright scholar to Columbia U; began career as journalist with *The Daily Mirror* and *The Financial Times*; gen sec Fabian Soc; contested for Labour Test 1959, Hitchin 1964, 1966, 1970, 1974 Feb, Oct; MP 1964-79; in Commons, Shadow Home Secretary 1971-73, 1974 sec of State, Prices and Consumer Protection; 1976 Sec of State for Education, piloting through controversial legislation for comprehensive education and abolishing many grammar schools, virtually ending selective education, against bitter opposition; after losing her seat became regular broadcaster on radio/TV on discussion programmes *Question Time* etc; 1988-2001; Prof at Havard's Kennedy School of Government; one of the original 'Gang of Four' who left Labour to form the SDP; a highly regarded figure, once seen widely as a possible Labour Premier; greatly respected and loved throughout her career with Liberal Democrats; 1993 Life Peerage; Ldr Lib Dems in Lords 2001-04, remaining influential in party and still a familiar figure in the media, she campaigned during 2015 General Election; retired from House of Lords, Feb 2016; CH 2017; author of several books incl autobiog; d 2021; Crosby by-e 1981, 1983 (Northwest Region); MP 1981-83, **Cambridge 1987**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*.

WOTHERSPOON, Ronald E., b 1948, ed St Bonaventure's, London E, U Coll, Swansea; dir of comp systems co; former Conservative associated with Tory Reform Group; after merger joined Lib Dems see Lib Dem section; **Hertford & Stortford 1983, 1987**